

## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY

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REO - KIRKUK

2 January 2006



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**Spot Report - 010206-1**

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**Subject:** COM PSD attacked by an IED**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Kirkuk

**Summary:** On 2 January 2006, at approximately 1045 hrs, a Blackwater COM PSD Advance team en route from the Kirkuk Government Center (KGC) to the Kirkuk REO was attacked by an IED. The blast initiated 15 feet from the left side of the motorcade as the lead vehicle passed and the limo approached, suggesting it was command detonated. There were no injuries to COM personnel and only minor damage to the three FAVs.

**RSO Action:** PSD members were interviewed by the ARSO. The vehicles were examined and several pieces of shrapnel were recovered. All COM PSD movements in the city of Kirkuk are suspended for the immediate future.

**Location:** Kirkuk, Iraq

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January 4, 2006

SPOT REPORT - 010406-01

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC Baghdad

**RSO ACTION:**

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## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY



REO - MOSUL

08 January 2006



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**Spot Report – 010806-02**

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.**Reporting Office:** REO - Mosul

**Summary:** At approximately 0857 hours, 08 January 2006, a Blackwater COM PSD Team was en route from FOB Courage to the USAID compound in Erbil when the well-gunner in the follow Tactical Support Vehicle (TSV), an M-1114 HMMWV, observed a silver four-door pickup truck, occupied by two male occupants, approaching the motorcade from the rear at a high rate of speed. As the vehicle closed to within 300 meters of the TSV, the well-gunner gave hand and verbal signals to get the driver to back off but the signals were ignored. As the vehicle approached to within 100 meters, the well-gunner fired a red pen flare at the vehicle and when it did not slow down, the well-gunner made a last attempt to give a hand and arm signal. When the vehicle closed to within 50 meters of the motorcade, the well-gunner fired seven rounds into the grill. The vehicle immediately came to a controlled stop along the shoulder of the road. No injuries to the driver were apparent. The motorcade continued to destination. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed by ARSO**Location:** Vicinity of Erbil, Iraq

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REO - KIRKUK

08 January 2006



Spot Report - 010806-03

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Kirkuk

**Summary:** At approximately 0915 hours, 08 January 2006, a Blackwater COM PSD Team was en route from REO Kirkuk to USAID Erbil when the follow vehicle (FAV) rear door gunners observed a white pickup truck approaching the motorcade at a high rate of speed. Both gunners gave hand and verbal signals to get the driver to back off but the signals were ignored. The left rear gunner fired a pen flare at the vehicle and when it did not slow down, the right rear gunner fired a single round into the grill. The vehicle immediately came to a controlled stop along the shoulder of the road. No injuries to the driver were apparent. The FAV had a warning sign in large red letters in both English and Arabic to "Stay Back 100 Meters". The motorcade continued to Erbil. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed by ARSO.

**Location:** Iraqi Highway 2, 25 km south of Erbil, Iraq

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**From:** Pryer, Christopher E (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Monday, January 30, 2006 6:54 PM  
**To:** Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** FW: BW Irbil Issue - 01/30/06

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**From:** Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Monday, January 30, 2006 6:49 PM  
**To:** Smith, Anthony G (Baghdad); Myers, Jon R (Baghdad); Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk); Cygrymus, Michael L (Baghdad); Crowningshield, Teresa R (Baghdad); Campbell, Ronald D (Mosul)  
**Cc:** Pryer, Christopher E (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** RE: BW Irbil Issue - 01/30/06

Thanks Tony.

Kit: FYI.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Smith, Anthony G (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Monday, January 30, 2006 4:38 PM  
**To:** Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Myers, Jon R (Baghdad); Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk); Cygrymus, Michael L (Baghdad); Crowningshield, Teresa R (Baghdad); Campbell, Ronald D (Mosul)  
**Subject:** BW Irbil Issue - 01/30/06

Mike S / Mike C - FYI -

Had a Mosul BW PSD team go out to Irbil today and they were informed by a member of another non-WPPS BW PSD team that "Barzani's people" were looking for those who were responsible for the death of the Mullah in order to get some kind of pay-back or to get even. This info came from a second hand source without direct access, but the guys here probably will stay out of that AO for a while. I know this issue has been on the radar screen for a while now pending delivery of payment.

Mike C - have you or any of your people heard any related rumors?

Jeff / Jon -

As additional info is developed we'll advise. NOTE: Ron is on point on this issue, but I will assist as necessary.

Thanks -

Tony

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**U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD**

**15 January 2006**



**Spot Report - 011506- 01**

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires three rounds into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On January 15, 2006 at approximately 0834 hrs, a COM PSD Advance Team was enroute from the International Zone to the Ministry of Oil, when the left rear gunner in the lead vehicle observed one individual in a Maroon, four-door Cadillac driving toward the motorcade as all other traffic was stopped. The car weaved through the stopped traffic towards the motorcade. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the car to stay back. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble"; the lead left rear gunner fired three shots into the front grill of the car. The car stopped and the occupant appeared to be uninjured. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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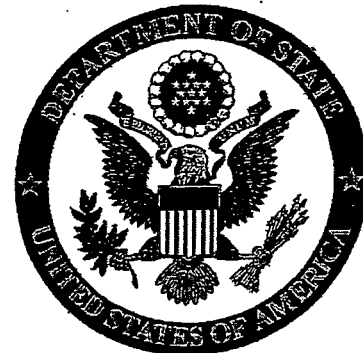
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U.S. EMBASSY - Al-Hillah

January 15, 2006



## SPOT REPORT -011506-03

**SUBJECT:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Al-Hillah

**SUMMARY:** At approximately 0835 hours on 15 January 2006, a COM PSD Team, based at Al-Hillah fired upon an aggressive vehicle. The motorcade was traveling south bound from Al Hillah to the Water Treatment Plant in Najaf when the rear observer in the Counter Assault Vehicle (CAV) spotted a fast approaching white 4-door sedan from the rear. At approximately 50-60 yards the rear gunner fired a pen flare but the driver did not slow down. The left and rear gunners then fired 3-5 rounds into the vehicle's grill. The vehicle still did not slow down. The left and rear gunners then fired another 3-5 rounds into the hood and windshield of the vehicle. The vehicle immediately slowed and swerved to the side of the road approximately 20 yards from the CAV. Both the left and rear gunners noticed the driver exiting the vehicle and no apparent injuries observed.

**RSO ACTION:** ARSO is investigating the shooting.**LOCATION:** South Central Iraq

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**U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD**

16 January 2006



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**Spot Report - 011606- 01**

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

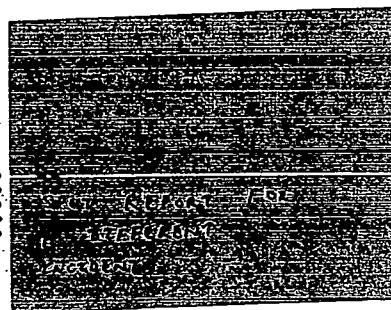
**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On January 16, 2006 at approximately 0924 hrs, a COM PSD Advance Team was enroute from the Ministry of Electricity to the International Zone, when the right rear gunner in the middle vehicle observed one individual in a Blue, Bongo Truck driving toward the motorcade as all other traffic was stopped. The truck weaved through the stopped traffic towards the motorcade. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the truck to stay back. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 70 -100 yards; the middle right rear gunner fired one shot into the front grill of the truck. The truck came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupant appeared to be uninjured. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

16 January 2006



Spot Report - 011606-02

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires two rounds into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On January 16, 2006 at approximately 0913 hrs, a COM PSD Advance Team was enroute from the International Zone to the Ministry of Oil, when the left rear gunner in the follow vehicle observed two individuals in a Blue, Bongo Truck driving toward the motorcade as all other traffic was stopped. The truck weaved through the stopped traffic towards the motorcade. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the truck to stay back. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 70 -100 yards; the left rear gunner in the follow vehicle fired two shots into the front grill of the truck. The truck came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupants appeared to be uninjured. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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January 18, 2006

**SPOT REPORT - 011806-01**

**SUBJECT:** IED attack on DynCorp PSD team Civilian Police Assistance Training Team (CPATT)

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO/ Regional Embassy Office Basrah

**SUMMARY:** On January 18, 2006 at approximately 1333hrs a DynCorp (CPATT) PSD team from the Shatt A la Arab Hotel left the U.S. Regional Embassy Basrah to return to base. Initial reports stated an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) exploded hitting 2 cars of the motorcade. A UK military QRF was dispatched to the scene. Reports also state that there is one KIA and 3 WIA. One injured was evacuated to Shatt A la Arib Hotel and two casualties were sent to Shaiba Log Base both (British military FOB)

**RSO ACTION:** The RSO notified Baghdad RSO TOC, Deputy Regional Coordinator and appropriate officials at post. RSO will continue to monitor and report on the situation.

**LOCATION:** Basrah

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

23 January 2006



Spot Report - 012306-04

**Subject:** Fixed Site Guard Force fires on aggressive vehicle.

**Reporting Office:** RSO Basrah

**Summary:** On 23 January 2006 at approximately 2000hrs the U.S. Regional Embassy, Basrah's fixed site guards fired on a rapidly approaching motorcycle. An unknown male approached the REO's front gate at a high rate of speed. The rider bypassed the preliminary search area and then increased speed. Members of the local guard force fired on the approaching vehicle hitting the motorcycle but it is believed not the rider (no blood was found on the scene). The dismounted rider then picked up the motorcycle pushed it and left the scene. Subject was able to depart the area before the British QRF responded.

**RSO Action:** Further investigation as needed; pending written statements from fixed site team members.

**Location:** Basrah, Iraq

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

01 February 2006



Spot Report - 020106- 01

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On February 1, 2006 at approximately 1245 hrs, a COM PSD Team was stationary in front of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs waiting for their principal to load, when the Tactical Commander located in the lead vehicle observed a White, Toyota Land Cruiser driving aggressively toward the motorcade as all other traffic was stopped. The vehicle weaved through the stopped traffic towards the motorcade. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the vehicle to stop. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 70 -100 yards; the Tactical Commander fired one shot into the engine block of the vehicle. The vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupants appeared to be uninjured as they got out of their vehicle and inspected the damage. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on without further incident to the International Zone.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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**U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD**

07 February 2006



**Spot Report - 020706- 01**

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires two rounds into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On February 7, 2006 at approximately 1254 hrs, a COM PSD Team was enroute from the Ministry of Oil to the International Zone, when the Turret gunner in the lead vehicle observed a Blue Volvo sedan occupied by two Military Age Males (MAM) driving toward the motorcade at a high rate of speed. The sedan was approaching the motorcade through stopped traffic that was being controlled by the Iraqi Police. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the sedan to stay back and the Turret gunner made eye to eye contact with the driver. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 70 -100 yards; the Turret gunner fired two shots into the engine block of the sedan. The sedan came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupants immediately raised their hands above their heads and both appeared to be uninjured. There were four principals in the motorcade at the time of the incident. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on to the International Zone without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

From: Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk)  
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2006 10:39 AM  
To: Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad); Hiemstra, Jan (Baghdad)  
Subject: RE: Shooting ROI

We sent down the enclosures hard copy and on a disk. The files are too large to e-mail. Let me know if you need something specific and I can e-mail individually.  
Thanks, Mike

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**From:** Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk)  
**Sent:** Friday, March 10, 2006 10:02 AM  
**To:** Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad); Hiemstra, Jan (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** Shooting ROI

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

08 February 2006



Spot Report - 020806- 01

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On February 8, 2006 at approximately 1305 hrs, a COM PSD Team was enroute from the Central Bank of Iraq to the International Zone, when the Turret gunner in the lead vehicle observed a Orange and White Taxi sedan occupied by two Military Age Males (MAM) driving toward the motorcade at a high rate of speed. The taxi was approaching the motorcade through stopped traffic that was being controlled by the Iraqi Police. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the taxi to stay back. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 70 -100 yards; the Turret gunner fired one shot into the engine block of the taxi. The taxi continued moving past and away from the motorcade. Both occupants appeared to be uninjured. There were two principals in the motorcade at the time of the incident. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on to the International Zone without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY



REO - KIRKUK

8 February 2006



Spot Report - 020806-02

**Subject:** Local media Reaction to COM PSD shooting in Kirkuk

**Reporting Office:** RSO REO - Kirkuk

**Summary:** Local media reported misleading information that contract Blackwater PSD members were in Iraqi custody. No COM PSD contractors were detained.

On 7 February 06, a joint US military and Iraqi press conference was held concerning the BW shooting of an aggressive vehicle in the "Raheem Awa" neighborhood of Kirkuk. A translated release from this conference erroneously indicated that the Iraqi police and MNFI had captured the PSD individuals and described them as working at the "base" (possible reference to FOB Warrior). The release also indicated that the contractors would be punished.

REO staff is working with Baghdad PAO to address the situation.

**RSO Action:** RSO continues to monitor the situation and coordinate with 1BCT 101<sup>st</sup> and PAO.

**Location:** Kirkuk, Iraq

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## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY



REO - KIRKUK

12 February 2006



Spot Report - 021206-02

**Subject:** Demonstration Against COM PSD Shooting Incident

**Reporting Office:** RSO REO - Kirkuk

**Summary:** At approximately 1100 12 Feb 06, approximately 100 people demonstrated in front of the REO. The protests relate to the PSD shooting of 7 February in the Kurdish "Raheem Awa" neighborhood of Kirkuk.

RSO met representatives of the crowd and a small meeting was arranged to with the A/PRT Leader to hear their grievances. The meeting ended amicably and the group returned to quiet the crowd. Despite a few gunshots heard, the protesters were orderly during chanting of "We want blood". The crowd dispersed at approximately 1300. There were no injuries or other incidents. Iraqi Police support was adequate.

**RSO Action:** RSO continues to monitor the situation and coordinate with local police and the 1BCT 101<sup>st</sup>.

**Location:** Kirkuk, Iraq

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SHOOTING  
BY BW

1. Did the US military have any shootings on 06 FEB 2006 (late) or 07 FEB 2006 in the vicinity of the BW shooting? If so, were there casualties? How many? What were the circumstances? . . . . .

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2. If US military personnel visited the scene of our shooting, how did they determine that the vehicle they were examining was engaged by our people? What sort of casualties did they see? Did they interview any witnesses at the scene? If so, what did the witnesses say? Did the US military collect any physical evidence or take any photographs? If so, can we obtain copies of the photographs and/or examine the physical evidence? Can we get photographs of any physical evidence that was collected?

CAN PROVIDE TOC REPORT

PARNE CAME FROM IP LEADERSHIP  
TO NOTIFY ~~BY~~ THAT CROWD WAS  
FORMING.

- TOOK LOCAL POLICE CHIEF TO SCENE  
of CROWD. THEN WENT TO POLICE STATION  
STAYED 45-75 MIN.
- SAW WRITTEN STATEMENT BEING  
PREPARED.
- NO PICS ON SCENE

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INFLUENTIAL AREA.  
{ OCCURRED IN MAIN MARKET  
AREA.

□ SLOW TRAFFIC IN AREA.  
□ CAN ENEMY ACTIVITY

3. Where is the local national vehicle now? Was it towed by the US military? Was it towed to the Embassy compound? Was it towed by the locals? Was there any evidence in the vehicle of explosive material or other insurgent equipment?

- TWO VEHICLES DAMAGED.
- NO OTHER COLLATERAL DAMAGE
- BODY(IES) BURIED.

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4. Do we know the name(s) of the deceased? You needed compensation forms yesterday—has the RED been contacted by the family? What did they say?

HAVE NAMES, NO I.D.'S

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of VICTIMS FAMILIES

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5. What is the "word on the street?" What are our Iraqi national/FSN employees saying about the shooting(s)? What are RSD contacts in the community saying? Is the US military tracking public sentiment? What is the US military assessment of public opinion? Why was the recovery mission scrubbed on the evening of 07FEB2006?

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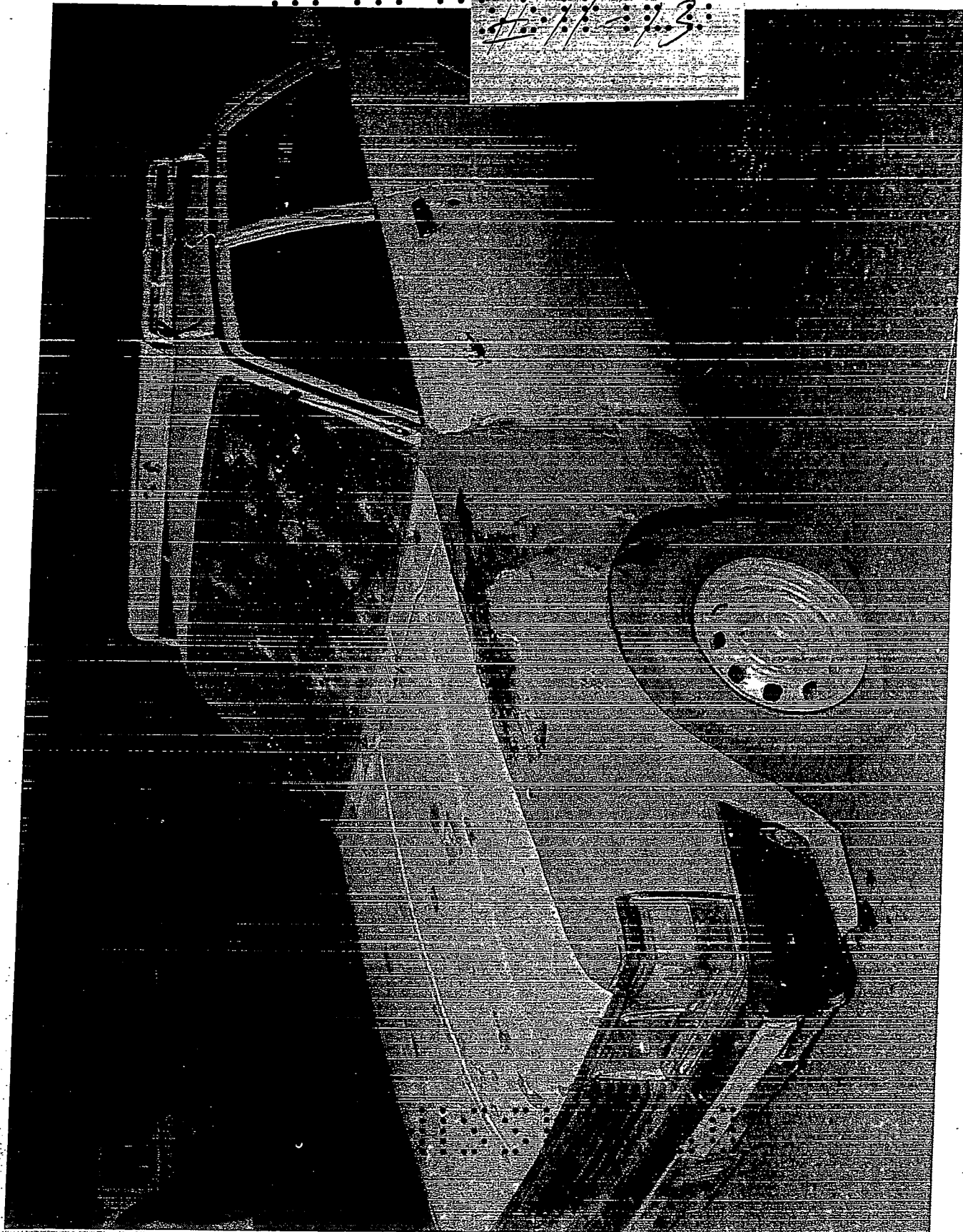
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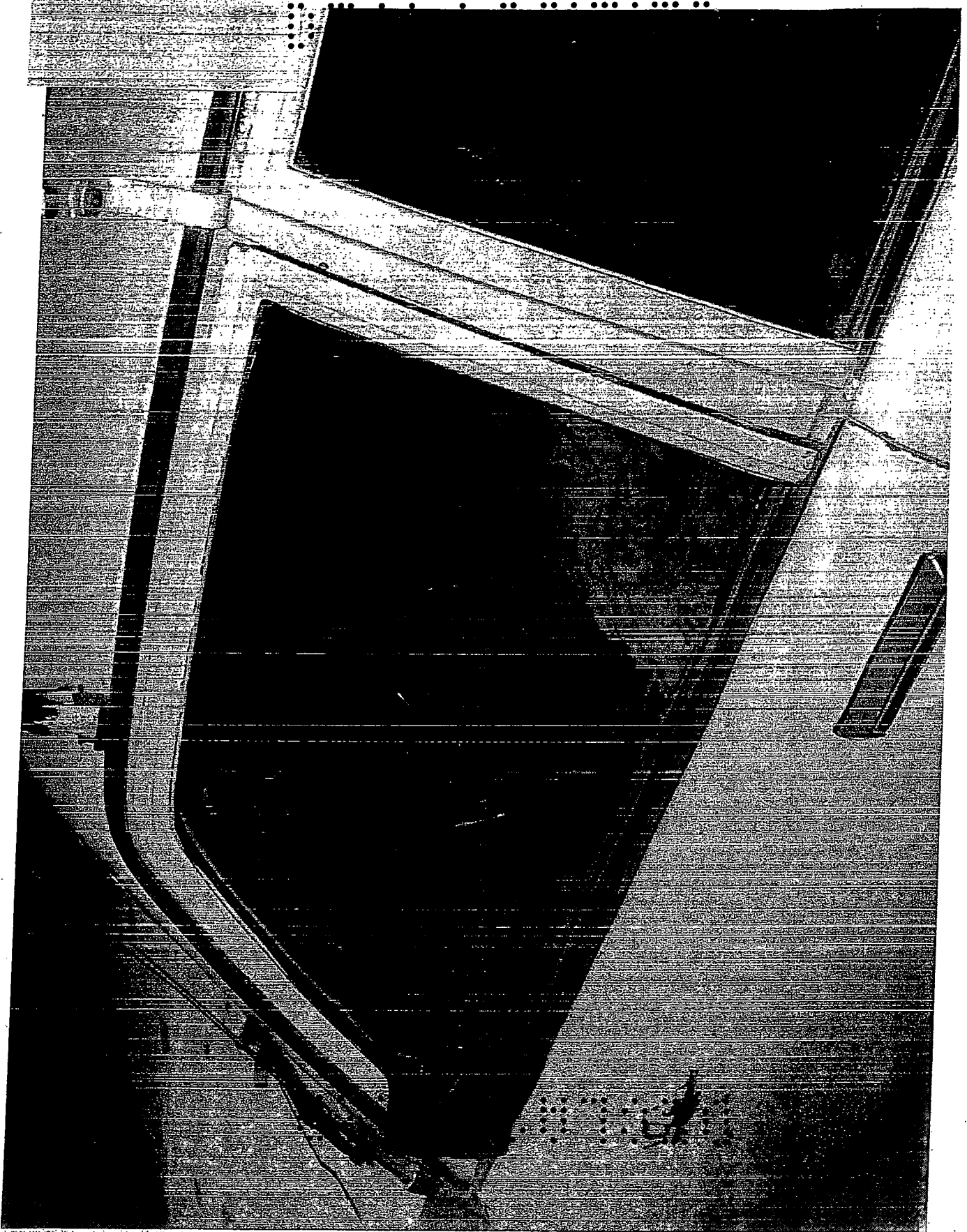
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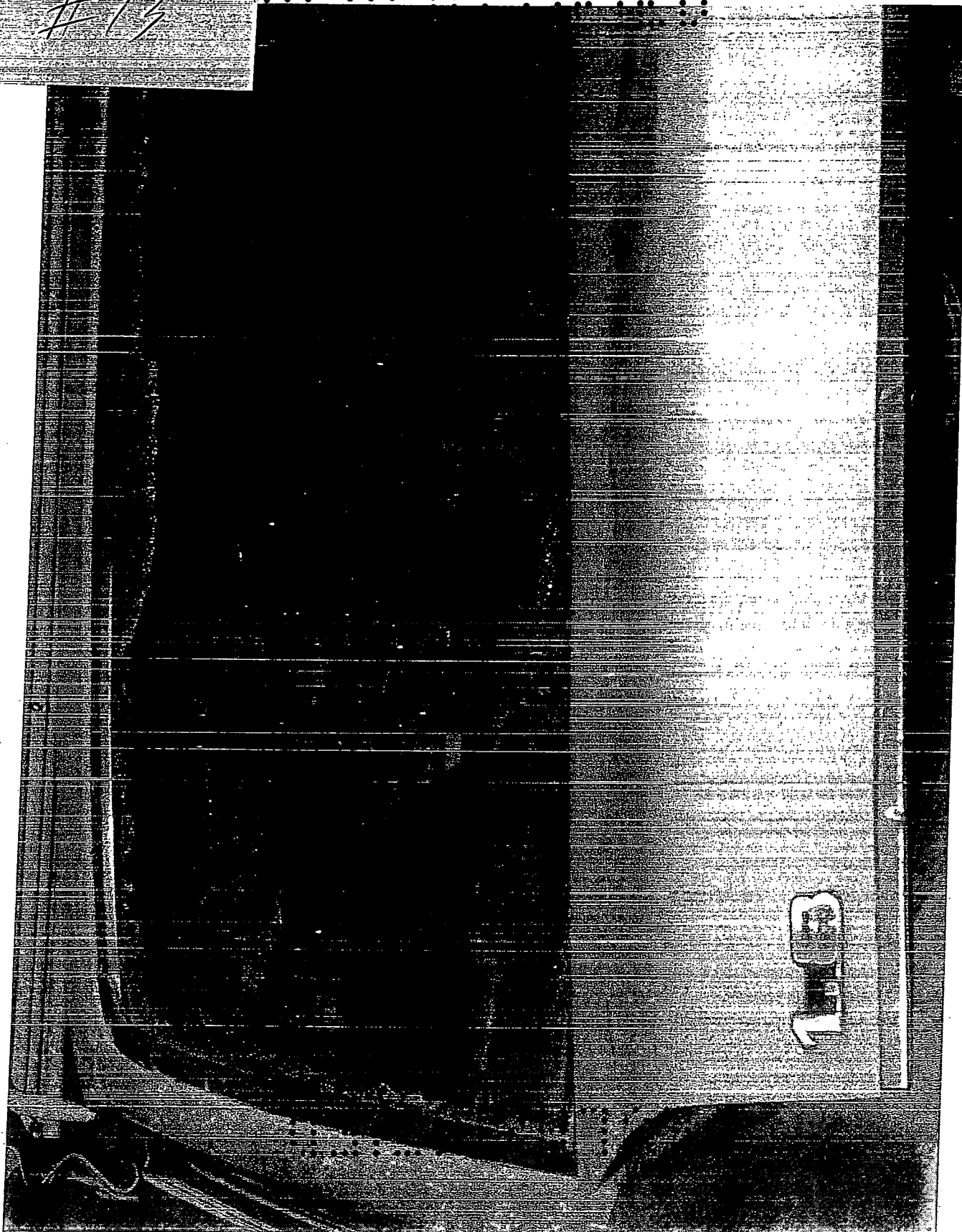




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Investigation source

Republic of Iraq

Autopsy request form

No: 576

Date: 07 February 2006

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To/ Hospital

Please carrying out juridical medical autopsy for sent body with this form and accompanied of a policeman numbered for report the reason of the death and answering the below questions:

Name and surname: Nizam

His father and grand father's name: Qadir Muhamad

Sex: Male

Nationality: Iraqi

Religion: Muslim

His mother's and grand father's name: .....

Occupation: Mechanical

Body (Fat, Medium, Long): .....

Skin's color: .....

Hair's color: Black

Hair face color: .....

Eye: Brown

Appeared age: 32 years

Another descriptions he has beauty spot: .....

Etc .....

(Long, Medium, Short) .....

Date and time of the casualty .....7/2/006.....

Place of death: Azadi hospital

Below is information from identity card:

Civil record number: .....

Page number

Governorate: .....

District: .....

Sub district: .....

- Situation of the death ( the investigator will report about the incident and its relation directly of the death as description of the situation of the body , used weapon and mention of approximately issue of firing casualties .....etc.

- Description of the cloths (mention of cloths items that exist on the body and the exist tearing , dirty or strange items).

- Appearance of damages (the external appearances and damages will be described for the body and the number and places will be fixed)

The appeared reason of the death by investigation side (the reason will be mention if not unidentified)

The investigator can direct these questions additionally for request the reason of the death:

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Signature of organizer of the form

His name .....

Job title .....

Signature of the receiver of the body and his job title .....

Date and time of receiving .....

**Notes:**

- 1-The form will be organized in three copies, two of them will be given to the policeman after fill the special spaces of receiving the body.
- 2-In poisoning cases the person who requests the test will record his information in the special form for that purpose.
- 3-Put the form in juridical medical institute in Baghdad by agreement of prosecuting presidency and letter number 1695

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Rahimawa police station

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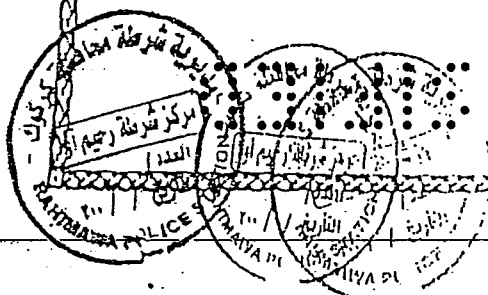
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الجنس ..... الجنسية .....  
المهنة ..... (بدون متوسط طويل) ..... لون البشرة .....  
لون الشعر ..... لون شعر الوجه ..... اللون .....  
الأوصاف المميزة الأخرى للبدن .....  
(طول متوسط قصير) ..... تاريخ وساعة الإصابة ..... محل الوفاة .....  
بقيت من دفتر النكاح ما يلي :-  
رقم السجل المدني ..... رقم الصحيفة ..... محاكمة .....  
أعضاء .....  
للرول الرقابة (بذكر المحقق محفل كدابة وفروع الحوادث وما علائقه مباشرة  
بالوفاة كوصف وضعية الجثة السلاح المستعمل وذكر المسألة النازية لمسي الإصابات  
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وصف الملابس (تذكر مفردات الملابس الموجودة على الجثة وما فيها من تعزلات أو تلوثات أو  
مواد غريبة) .....  
مظاهر الأضرار (نوصف مظاهر وأشكال الأضرار السالبة للجثة ووثقت عدداً ومرادها) .

السبب الظاهري للوفاة من جهة تعديلية (بذكر السبب إن أحرق وإلا يكتب مجهول)  
الأسئلة التي ينسب المحفل توجبها إضافة لطلب سبب الوفاة :

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اسمه .....  
صفته الوظيفية .....  
توقيع ممثل الجثة وصفته الوظيفية ..... تاريخ وساعة الاستلام .....

**ملاحظات**

١. تنظيم الاستمارة بنسخ ثلاث وتعاد اثنتان منها بيد الشرطي بعد إتمام المرافغان الخاصة  
بإستلام الجثة .
٢. في رواتب القسم يسجل طالب اللحص ما أدبه من معارفات لمسي الاستمارة الخاصة العدد  
لهذا الغرض .
٣. وضع الاستمارة معهد الطب العدلي بمراداد ومرفقة رئاسة الإعدام العاليه بكتابها  
الرقم ١٦٩٥ .



Investigation source:

Republic of Iraq

No. 577

Autopsy request form

Date: 07 February 2006

To/ Hospital

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Please carrying out juridical medical autopsy for sent body with this form and accompanied of a policeman numbered for report the reason of the death and answering the below questions:

Name and surname: Khalid

His father and grand father's name: Muhamad Nadir

Sex: Male

Nationality: Iraqi

Religion: Muslim

His mother's and grand father's name: .....

Occupation: Driver

Body (Fat, Medium, Long): .....

Skin's color: .....

Hair's color: Black

Hair face color: .....

Eye: Brown

Appeared age: 55 years

Another descriptions he has beauty spot: .....

Etc .....

(Long, Medium, Short) .....

Date and time of the casualty ..... 7/2/006 .....

Place of death: Azadi hospital

Below is information from identity card:

Civil record number: .....

Page number .....

Governorate: .....

District: .....

Sub district: .....

- Situation of the death ( the investigator will report about the incident and its relation directly of the death as description of the situation of the body , used weapon and mention of approximately issue of firing casualties .....etc.

- Description of the cloths (mention of cloths items that exist on the body and the exist tearing , dirty or strange items ).

- Appearance damages (the external appearances and damages will be described for the body and the number and places will be fixed)

- The appeared reason of the death by investigation side (the reason will be mention if not unidentified)

The investigator ca directs these questions additionally for request the reason of the death:

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Signature of organizer of the form

His name .....

Job title.....

Signature of the receiver of the body and his job title.....

Date and time of receiving.....

**Notes:**

- 1-The form will be organized in three copies, two of them will be given to the policeman after fill the special spaces of receiving the body.
- 2-In poisoning cases the person who requests the test will record his information in the special form for that purpose.
- 3-Put the form in juridical medical institute in Baghdad by agreement of prosecuting presidency letter number 1695

Stamped by:  
Rahimawa police station

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استمارة طلب تشريح

الرقم ..... التاريخ .....

يرجى إجراء التشريح الطبي لدى على اللجنة المختصة بهذه الاستمارة وهراسة الشرطي المرسل إليها  
أسباب الوفاة والإجابة على أسئلة المدرجة في أدناه :-  
الاسم واللقب ..... اسم الأب والجد ..... تاريخ الميلاد ..... الجنس .....  
الجنسية ..... (بدون متوسط طوبول) ..... لون البشرة .....  
لون الشعر ..... لون شعر الوجه ..... العيون ..... مظاهر العمر .....  
الأوصاف المميزة الأخرى نذهب لـ ..... تاريخ ومكانة الإصابة ..... محل الوفاة .....  
يلتقي من دفتر النافوس ما يلي :-  
رغم السجل المدني ..... رقم الصحيفة ..... محتالة .....

لغذاء ..... ناحية .....  
للسرور الوفاة وذكر المعلق مجمل ذراية وأدوع الحادث وما علقته مباشرة  
بالوفاة كوصف وضعية الجسم المصالح الممتدة من ذكر المسألة التفريعية في الإصابات  
الطارية ..... الخ .....  
وصف الملابس ( تذكر مبررات الملابس الموجودة على اللجنة وما فيها من تعزلات أو ثلوثات أو  
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مظاهر أخرى ( توصف مظاهر وأشكال الإضرار الشدية للجنة ورثت عددا وما مواضعها )

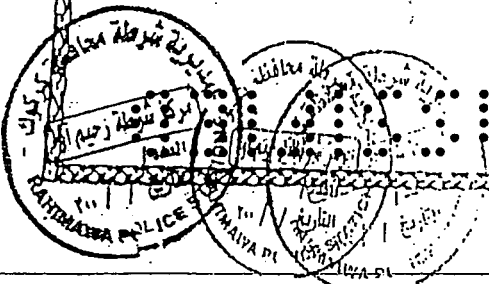
السبب الظاهري للوفاة من جهة تدابرية ( يذكر السبب إن أعرف وإلا يكتب مجهول )  
الاستمارة التي ينسب الحق في توديعها إضافة لطلب سبب الوفاة :-

نواحي منظم الاستمارة

اسمه .....  
صلته الوظيفية .....  
نواحي منظم اللجنة وصفاته وتدابرية ..... تاريخ ومكانة الاستمارة .....

ملاحظات :

١. تنظم الاستمارة بنسخ ثلاث وتعاد اثنين منها بيد الشرطي بعد إتمام الترافغان الخاصة باستمارة اللجنة.
٢. لمي والماتع النسم بسجل طالب اللعص ما ادبه من معارمات لمي الاستمارة الخاصة المعداد لهذا الغرض.
٣. وضعت الاستمارة معهد الطب العلبي ودراداد ومراعية رئاسة الإعدام العالي بكتابها المرلم ١٩٩٥.



Pryer, Christopher E (Baghdad)

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From: Noone, William T (Baghdad)  
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2006 10:02 AM  
To: Pryer, Christopher E (Baghdad)  
Subject: NEXT OF KIN PHOTOS

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Kit,

Enclosed are photos that were taken from the next of kin (Witness # 1).

NOK PIC #1: Close ups of Victim #1 (taxi driver) chest wounds (Time and location of photo unknown)  
Note: Victim is being transported to hospital in photo.

NOK PIC #2: Close up of Victim #1 (taxi driver) head wounds (Time and location of photo unknown)  
Note: Victim is being transported to hospital in photo. Male on cell phone identity unknown, unknown male is assisting in transporting victim #1.  
Note: Photo of bullet holes in front license plate of Vehicle #1 (taxi-cab)

NOK PIC #3: Close up of Victim #1 (taxi driver) head wounds (Time and location of photo unknown)  
Note: Victim is being transported to hospital in photo. Male on cell phone identity unknown, unknown male is assisting in transporting victim #1.  
Note: Photo of bullet holes in hood of Vehicle #1 (taxi-cab)

More to follow, please let me know soonest if any information I am forwarding is unclear or questionable.

Regards,  
Will Noone



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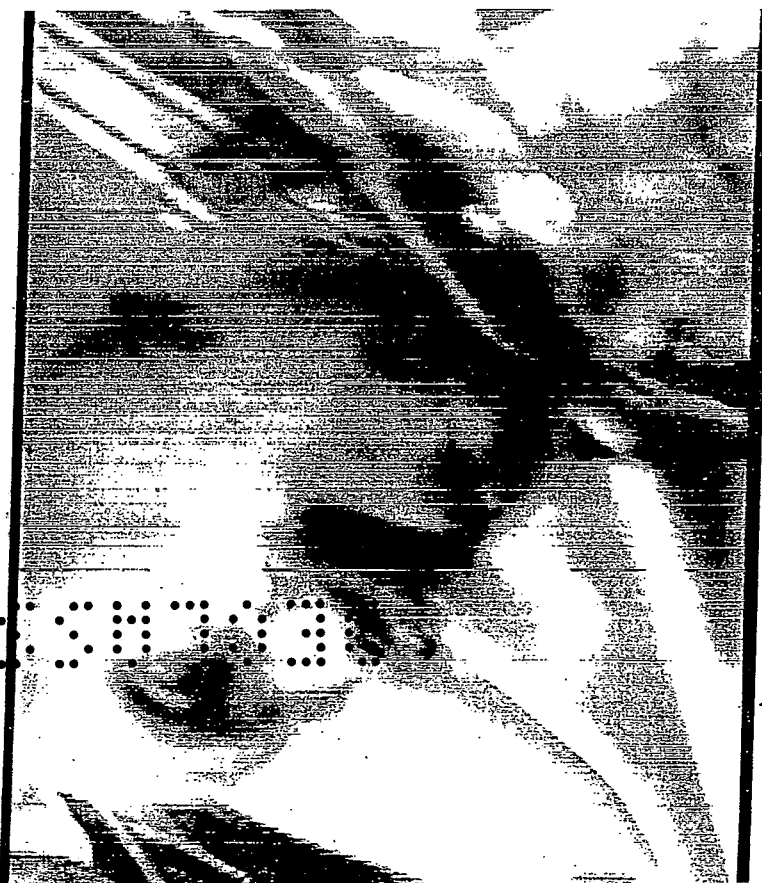
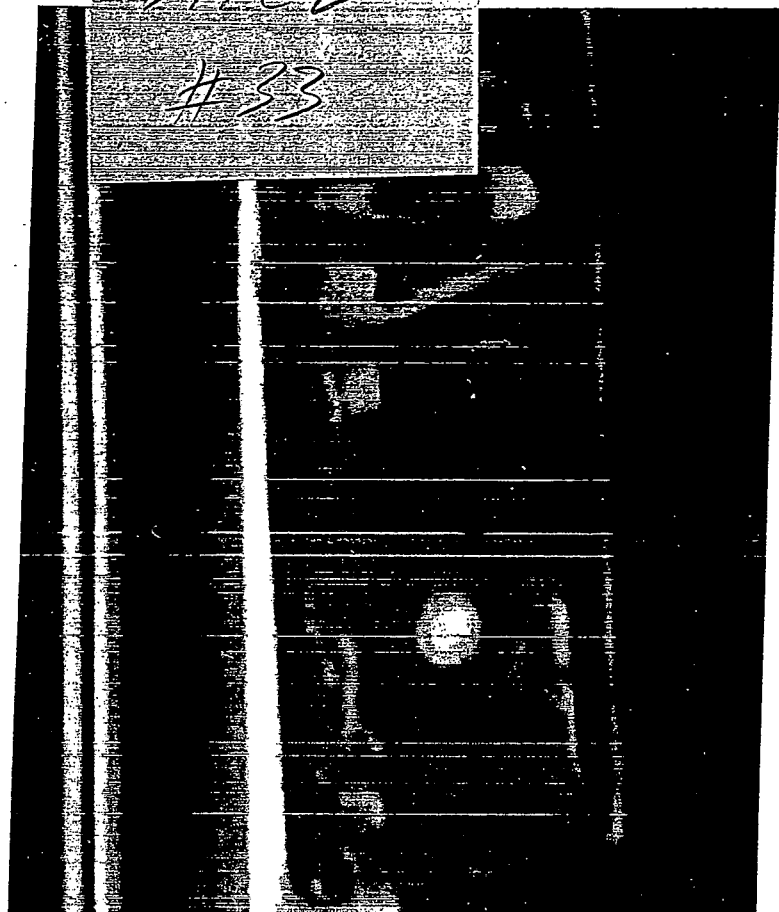
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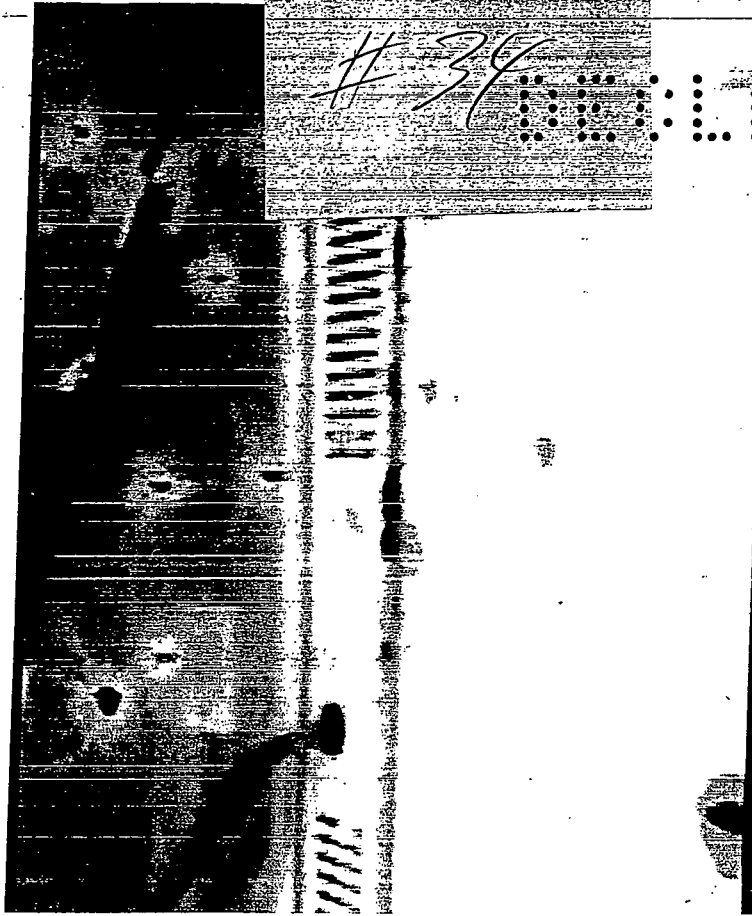
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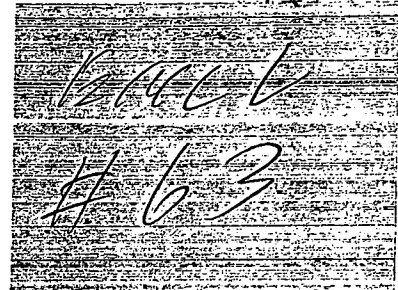


Noone, William T. (Baghdad)

From: Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk)  
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2006 2:31 PM  
To: Noone, William T. (Baghdad)  
Subject: Investigation info

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30 in the windshield  
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1 in headlight  
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5 right side fender  
2 in the door  
1 front bumper  
25 in the hood  
3 front license plate



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February 10, 2006



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SPOT REPORT - 021006-01

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**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire and Small Arms Attack

**REPORTING OFFICE:** REO Mosul, Iraq

**SUMMARY:** On February 10, 2006, at approximately 08:30 hrs, a small arms fire (SAF) attack was initiated against Forward Operation Base (FOB) Courage. Force protection TOC (FPOC) reported to RSO that five (5) mortars landed outside of the FOB followed by SAF directed against one of the perimeter towers on the southern edge of the FOB. The tower returned fire with unknown effect. Force Protection informed RSO that one contract perimeter guard received minor injuries during the attack.

**RSO ACTION:** All COM personnel have been accounted for.

**LOCATION:** Mosul, Iraq

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06 March 2006



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Spot Report - 030606- 01

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires two rounds into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 06 March, 2006 at approximately 0945 hrs, a COM PSD Team was enroute from the International Zone to the Ministry of Transportation when the follow Tactical Support Team located in a blocking position in order to stop oncoming traffic observed a White, Chevrolet Suburban occupied by one MAM driving aggressively toward the motorcade as all other traffic was stopped. The vehicle weaved through the stopped traffic towards the motorcade. The team members gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the vehicle to stop. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 100 yards; the Right-Rear fired two shots into the engine block of the vehicle. The vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupant appeared to be uninjured. There were two principals in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured. The motorcade continued on without further incident to the venue.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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15 March 2006



Spot Report - 031506- 02

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 15 March, 2006 at approximately 1304 hrs, a COM PSD Team was enroute from the Ministry of Water to the International Zone, when the Turret gunner in the follow vehicle observed a Orange, four-door sedan with one male occupant driving toward the motorcade at a high rate of speed. The sedan was approaching the motorcade weaving through stopped traffic. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals for the sedan to stay back. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 75 yards; the Turret gunner fired one shot into the engine block of the sedan. The sedan came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupant appeared to be uninjured. There were no principals in the motorcade at the time of the incident. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on to the International Zone without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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02 April 2006



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Spot Report - 040206- 01

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 02 April, 2006 at approximately 1145 hrs, a COM PSD Advance Team was enroute from the International Zone to the Ministry of Finance when the follow Tactical Support Team observed a motorcycle driven by a Military Aged Male (MAM) driving aggressively toward the motorcade as all other traffic was observing the teams directions and adhering to their "stand-off bubble" of 70-100 meters. As the motorcycle accelerated and weaved through the traffic towards the motorcade, the team members gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the motorcycle to stop. The driver ignored these signals and upon the vehicle entering well within the Team's standoff "Bubble"; the Rear well gunner fired a pen flare in an attempt to stop the motorcycles advance. The driver ignored this warning and continued his aggressive approach. When the motorcycle was within 30-40 meters of the motorcade the well gunner fired one well aimed shot into the front tire of the motorcycle. The motorcycle came to an immediate controlled stop and the driver appeared to be uninjured. There were no principals in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured. The motorcade continued on without further incident to the venue.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

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13 April 2006



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Spot Report - 041306- 01

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On April 13, 2006 at approximately 1255 hrs, a COM PSD Quick Reaction Force (QRF) Team was enroute from the Ministry of Interior to the International Zone. The rear gunner in the follow vehicle observed an individual in a white four-door sedan weaving through other traffic which had slowed in compliance with verbal and hand signals. When the sedan neared to within 35 meters of the follow vehicle the rear gunner attempted to gain the drivers attention by throwing a water bottle at the sedan. The sedan continued to approach and at 25 meters the rear gunner fired one shot into the front windshield of the sedan. The sedan came to an immediate controlled stop. The lone occupant appeared to be uninjured. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on without further incident to the International Zone. There were no principals in the convoy at the time of the incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

**Drafted By:** Mike Duke, Watch Officer, RSO TOC Baghdad

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13 April 2006



## Spot Report – 041306-02

**Subject:** FOB Courage Receives Small Arms Fire

**Reporting Office:** RSO Mosul, Iraq

**Location:** Forward Operating Base Camp Courage, Mosul, Iraq

**Summary:** On April 13, 2006, at 0325 hrs, a small arms fire (SAF) attack was initiated against Forward Operation Base (FOB) Courage. Force Protection TOC (FPOC) reported to RSO that 12 rounds small arm weapons fire had been directed at FOB perimeter tower eight, which is located on the northwest side of the perimeter, less than 400 meters from the REO campus. FPOC indicated that contract security elements on the perimeter fired approximately 30 rounds in response to the attack and heard "screams" subsequent to their counter-fire. FPOC believes that at least one of the attackers was wounded during the attack. No injuries to COM personnel resulted from the SAF attack.

**RSO Action:** None required.

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~~March 7, 2006~~



**SPOT REPORT 041506-01**

**SUBJECT:** COM PSD Team Attacked with Small Arms Fire

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC, Baghdad Iraq

**SUMMARY:** On 15 April 2006, at approximately 0930 hours, a COM PSD Advance Team was attacked with a single round of small arms fire while enroute from venue back to the International Zone. The round struck and penetrated the windshield. The origin of the small arms fire was not identified. The team continued movement to the International Zone without further incident. There were no principals in the vehicle and no COM personnel were injured in this incident.

**RSO ACTION:** Debriefed Team members once they returned to the International Zone.

**LOCATION:** Red Zone, Baghdad Iraq

**DRAFTED BY:** Mike Duke, Watch Officer, RSO TOC

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April 19, 2006



**SPOT REPORT 041906-01**

**SUBJECT:** IED/SAF Attack on COM Convoy

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 19 April 2006, at approximately 1014 hours, a COM PSD convoy was hit by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and small arms fire while enroute from the International Zone (IZ) to the Ministry of Electricity (MOE). One military vehicle sustained moderate damage and reached FOB Shield before it became inoperable. Four minor injuries were sustained; 2 U.S. Army and 2 DynCorp PSD Team members. All of the injured were initially treated by U. S. Army medical personnel at FOB Shield and 2 (one Army, one DynCorp) were subsequently transported by Blackwater Air assets to the Combat Support Hospital (CSH) in the International Zone for additional treatment. All of the injured are expected to return to full duty status. There were no principals in the convoy at the time of the attack.

**RSO ACTION:** Diverted an available PSD Team to FOB Shield to escort remaining members back to the International Zone.

**LOCATION:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq.

**DRAFTED BY:** Mike Duke, Watch Officer, RSO TOC Baghdad

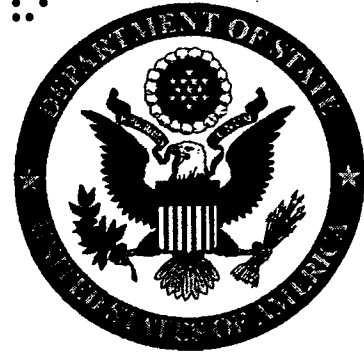
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23 April 2006



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**Spot Report – 042306-02**

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Basrah**Summary:** COM PSD fires multiple rounds into an aggressive vehicle.

On 23 April 2006 at approximately 0915 hrs, a COM PSD Team en route from a venue in Basrah to REO Basrah encountered an aggressive vehicle. The motorcade was stopped in traffic when a vehicle driven by a lone occupant broke out of the stopped traffic 100 m behind the Counter Assault Team (CAT) vehicle. The CAT vehicle had the vehicle lights flashing and a sign to remain 100 meters behind the vehicle. The well gunner and turret gunner observed the aggressive vehicle approaching the motorcade and gave hand and verbal signals, to get the driver to back off. The driver ignored the signals and the car continued to advance rapidly on the motorcade. The well gunner fired a flare at the vehicle and hit the windshield but the driver continued to advance. When the vehicle did not respond to the flare the turret gunner fired 2 rounds into the grill to stop the vehicle. The vehicle came to a controlled stop and no injuries were evident. The motorcade continued to REO Basrah without incident. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO conducting investigation. Statements will be forwarded separately.

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**Location:** Basrah, Iraq

**Drafted by:** Ivan Ray, ESO Basrah, Iraq

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E.O. 12958: DECL: 05/02/2016

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: ATTACK ON CHIEF OF MISSION MOTORCADE

REF: A. SPOT REPORT 050206-02

B. SMITH - DS/IP EMAIL DATED 03/02/06

Classified By: A/RSO JON MYERS. REASON 1.4 (G)

1. (U) SUMMARY: On May 2, 2006 at approximately 0908 hours a Chief of Mission (COM) Tactical Support Team (TST) was attacked with an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) while enroute to the Ministry of Finance. The attack resulted in four (4) DS Contractors wounded in action and one (1) DS Agent sustained a superficial wound to the back of the neck. They were transported to the Combat Support Hospital (CASH) by Black Water Air Assets. Detailed debriefing of the team members will take place on May 3, 2006. END SUMMARY

2. (C) Immediately after the explosion, a defensive perimeter was formed to provide 360 degree security while medical assistance was rendered to the wounded. At approximately the same time, perimeter security personnel came under small arms fire. There was an exchange of gun fire, the specifics of which are unknown at this time pending further investigation. However, there was a report of a civilian fatality involving an Iraqi ambulance driver.

3. (C) All sensitive equipment and material was secured from the disabled vehicle, and all team personnel were cross-loaded into the remaining vehicles for evacuation to the original venue, Ministry of Finance, which served as an enroute safehaven. Upon arrival at the venue coordination was made for the immediate air evacuation of the priority wounded personnel. Black Water air assets landed at the venue, secured the injured personnel and transported them to

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the CASH. Black Water air assets returned to the venue and recovered two additional lesser wounded personnel for a second air evacuation to the CASH.

4. (U) Once the wounded personnel were evacuated the motorcade recombined with the advance team on site and returned to the international zone. Recovery efforts were coordinated with the U.S. Military for the recovery of the disabled vehicle.

5. (C) The acting RSO received a phone call from the Turkish Ambassador that his Embassy was receiving small arms fire from Black Water Air Assets. The site of the attack is approximately 100 meters from the Turkish Embassy across a divided road. The Acting RSO contacted the Tactical Operations Center (TOC) inquiring whether or not Black Water Air Assets had engaged the Turkish Embassy to which the pilots replied no.

6. (U) The investigation to date has revealed that the Black Water Air Assets did not fire a shot at or near the Turkish Embassy. The Air Assets were deployed at the direction of the RSO to evacuate severely wounded personnel. This was authorized because the U.S. Military Quick Reaction Force (QRF) was unable to respond in a timely manner

7. (U) Due to the traumatic nature of the event, priority was given to the physical and mental treatment of those involved. Personnel involved in this attack will be debriefed in detail Wednesday, May 3 (local time). As additional details are developed they will be passed onto Washington. Point of contact for this action is Acting RSO Jon Myers.  
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident

02 Jan.  
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Time of Incident

1045 hours  
local

## Type of Incident

(i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)

IED attack

## Location of Incident

(Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, and coordinates if known, etc.)

Kirkuk Iraq

## Description of Incident

(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)

On 01-02-2006 at approximately 1045 hours, [redacted] was en route back to the U.S. Embassy (REO) from the Kirkuk Government Center (KGC) when we were hit by a roadside IED. We had just departed from the KGC and were moving as a counter assault element paralleling [redacted] who had just departed the KGC approximately 2-3 minutes before us. We were approximately two minutes into our return run when what we believe to be a control detonated IED was detonated alongside our motorcade (Grid point [redacted]). The IED detonation was timed in such a fashion that it detonated between our [redacted] vehicle and limo. The blast location was near the sidewalk approximately 15 feet off of the driver's side of our motorcade. It should be noted that this was a narrow local street lined with buildings and parked cars along both sides. At the time of the incident there were multiple pedestrians in the area as well as several oncoming vehicles. The blast caused non-disabling damage to all [redacted] of our motorcade vehicles, however, all [redacted] did sustain light shrapnel damage. I gave the order to drive through and immediately notified the TOC in regards to our status. Our motorcade then continued along our designated route back toward the U.S. Embassy without further incident. No team members were injured. Photographs were taken of all three motorcade to further document the sustained damage.

## Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

See above statement.

## Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

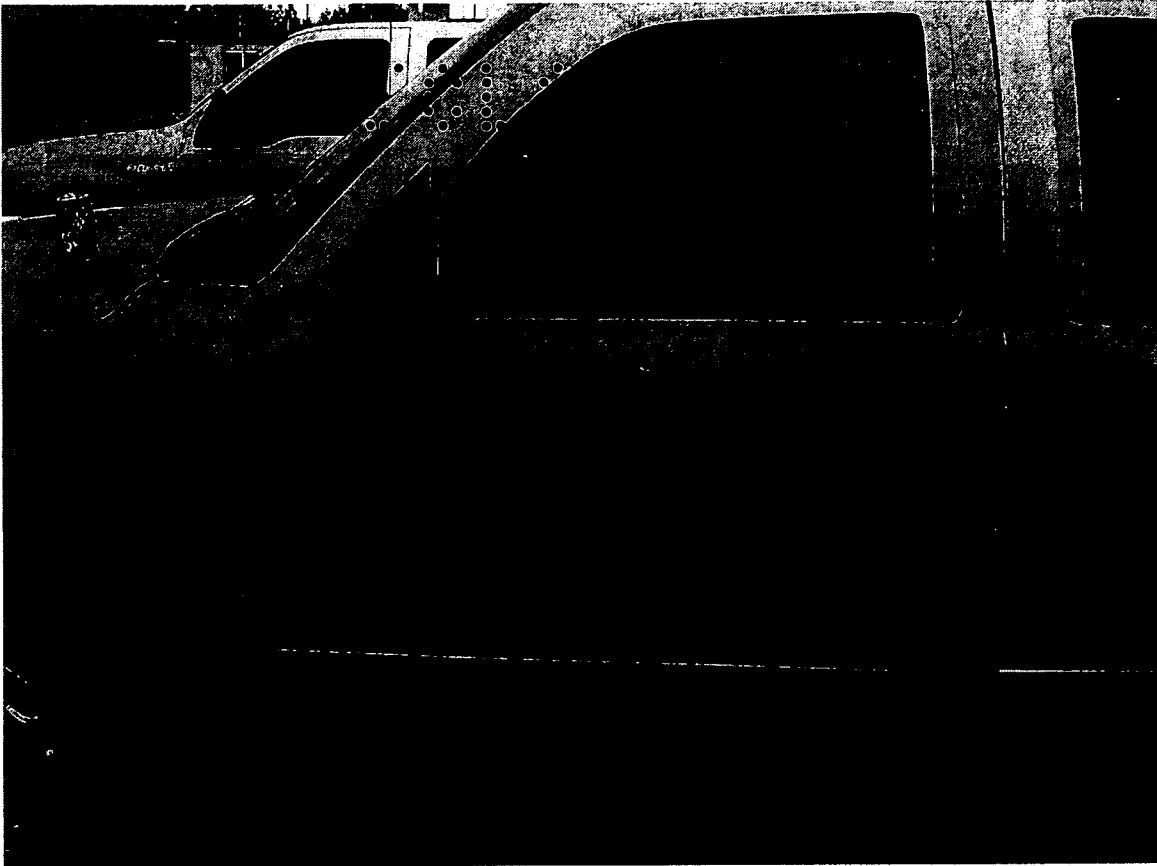
Contacting KBR in regards to vehicle maintenance and repair.

Operator(s) Involved	Vehicle(s) Involved	Team(s) Involved

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**U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD**

January 4, 2006



**SPOT REPORT - 010406-02**

**SUBJECT:** International Narcotics and Law Enforcement (INL) convoy  
attacked by IED

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 4 January 2006, around 0914, a DynCorp convoy escorting INL personnel from the Al Sadeer Hotel to the Rusafa Correctional Facility in Baghdad was attacked by an IED in the vicinity of Olympic Bridge. The [ ] vehicle in the [ ] vehicle motorcade was the target of the IED. The IED struck the left side of the vehicle. It was pushed to safety where the team changed the tires so it could return to the Al Sadeer Hotel. As the Iraqi Police and Iraqi National Guard established an outer perimeter for the motorcade, a secondary IED detonated at the same location. There were no injuries reported from the two explosions.

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**RSO ACTION:**

**LOCATION:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

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## PSD – After Action Report



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b2Team: 

Mission #: 010405-17-01

Departure Time: 0945

Return Time: 1300

Venue/Location:

Ministry of Electricity

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Principal(s):

Dick Dumford

Shift Leader:

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Agent-in-Charge:

Clemons

TC:

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YES NO

Mission Planning Phase

1. Did the Shift Leader coordinate available support?

Remarks: QRF (5), AIR



2. Any Issues coordinating with the Principal or their representatives?

Remarks:



3. Was there an advance packet for this venue?

Remarks:



4. Was coordination made with someone at the venue prior to departure?

Remarks:



5. Was Intel consulted concerning incidents/threats pertaining to venue, routes and principal(s)?

Remarks:



6. Any problems with exiting the Palace or the IZ.

Remarks:

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Mission Execution Phase

YES NO

- ☐ ☒ 1. Were any MSR's used for movement? (Name and Entry/Exit Grey Codes)

Remarks:

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- ☒ ☐ 2. Did the team encounter any unplanned barricades, checkpoints or obstacles?

Remarks: BW Air said [redacted] route was not recommended and impassable.

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- ☐ ☒ 3. Did the team encounter impassable traffic?

Remarks:

- ☒ ☐ 4. Did team experience any problems relating to bridges, overpasses or tunnels?

Remarks: Yes [redacted] Tunnel there was IED, see attached statement

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- ☒ ☐ 5. Did any team vehicle make contact with any other vehicle or object? If YES, include vehicle GP#.

Remarks: White Suburban GP# [redacted] was destroyed and on fire, was abandoned.

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- ☐ ☒ 6. Did the team believe they were under dedicated surveillance at any point?

Remarks:

- ☒ ☐ 7. Did the team come under direct attack or witness an attack on others?

Remarks: see attachment

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YES NO

Actions at Venue

- ☐ ☒ 1. Has the barrier plan or guard force procedures changed for the venue?

Remarks:

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- ☐ ☐ 2. What were the composition, disposition and location of local security?

Remarks: Local Security on Venue

- ☐ ☒ 3. Does the venue have rules against rifles or the use of K9 assets?

Remarks:

- ☐ ☐ 4. How many ways can you enter and exit the building and grounds?

Remarks: Two gates into venue

- ☒ ☐ 5. Was there an established POC to meet your Principal?

Remarks:

- ☐ ☐ 6. In what room was the meeting held and what was the location of the safe room?

Remarks: Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room

- ☐ ☒ 7. Did the team experience any type of incident while at the venue?

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Shift Leader Comments

Remarks: see attachment

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b7CTeam: ☐ Mission #: 04-01-06-5-1 Departure Time: 0945 Return Time: 1020

Venue/Location:

Ministry of Electricity

Principal(s):

N/A QRF

Shift Leader:

Agent-in-Charge:

N/A QRF

TC:

YES NO

Mission Planning Phase

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1. Did the Shift Leader coordinate available support?

Remarks:

- ☐
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2. Any Issues coordinating with the Principal or their representatives?

Remarks:

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3. Was there an advance packet for this venue?

Remarks:

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4. Was coordination made with someone at the venue prior to departure?

Remarks: N/A

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5. Was Intel consulted concerning incidents/threats pertaining to venue, routes and principal(s)?

Remarks: ☐ conducted intel brief prior to the team departure. 45/30/7 day analysis showed moderate activity in the area.b6  
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6. Any problems with exiting the Palace or the IZ.

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Mission Execution Phase

YES NO

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1. Were any MSR's used for movement? (Name and Entry/Exit Grey Codes)

Remarks:

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2. Did the team encounter any unplanned barricades, checkpoints or obstacles?

Remarks:

Prior to departing the IZ, BW-Air relayed via radio that the \_\_\_\_\_ route (over bridge) had a large crowd in the vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ and that ING had concertina on top of the bridge making the \_\_\_\_\_ route unpassable.

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3. Did the team encounter impassable traffic?

Remarks: During the movement out to Venue, at \_\_\_\_\_ noted heavy traffic on top the intersection. BW-Air also relayed via radio they did not recommend taking the top of the intersection, however, to take the tunnel as a primary route.

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4. Did team experience any problems relating to bridges, overpasses or tunnels?

Remarks:

Refer to Shift Leader Comments for details

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5. Did any team vehicle make contact with any other vehicle or object? If YES, include vehicle GP#.

Remarks:

Refer to Team Leader Comments for details

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6. Did the team believe they were under dedicated surveillance at any point?

Remarks:

Refer to Team Leader Comments for details

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7. Did the team come under direct attack or witness an attack on others?

Remarks:

Refer to Team Leader Comments for details

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YES NO

Actions at Venue

- ☐ ☐ 1. Has the barrier plan or guard force procedures changed for the venue?

Remarks: UNK

- ☐ ☒ 2. What were the composition, disposition and location of local security?

Remarks: No changes to Security composition was noted

- ☐ ☒ 3. Does the venue have rules against rifles or the use of K9 assets?

Remarks:

- ☐ ☒ 4. How many ways can you enter and exit the building and grounds?

Remarks: UNK.

- ☐ ☐ 5. Was there an established POC to meet your Principal?

Remarks: UNK

- ☐ ☒ 6. In what room was the meeting held and what was the location of the safe room?

Remarks: UNK

- ☐ ☒ 7. Did the team experience any type of incident while at the venue?

Remarks: No

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Shift Leader Comments

**Remarks:** On January 4, 2006, Team QRF was in direct support of Team [ ] to the Ministry of Electricity. At 0945, Team [ ] departed checkpoint [ ] with Team [ ] to venue. When exiting checkpoint [ ], information was relayed via radio by the Lead Turret [ ] that the roadways appeared empty. Upon crossing bridge [ ], it was noted by members of Team [ ] that traffic was extremely light for a Wednesday (Market Day). The motorcade approached [ ] (Tunnel/Market Overpass), per team SOP, Team [ ] Lead vehicle punched out to clear the tunnel. The rest of the motorcade and TST took a defensive posture and awaited comm. from the Lead vehicle. Shortly thereafter, "Tunnel is Clear" was received via radio at which time the rest of the motorcade proceeded through the tunnel. At 0950, while entering the tunnel an apparent IED exploded on the right side adjacent to Team [ ] Lead vehicle. Team [ ] continued through the tunnel followed by QRF's Assault vehicle. I decided to take the market overpass concerned that if a followed up IED or damaged vehicles could impede our egress through the tunnel. As we approached the motorcade on the east side of the tunnel, we were forced to make contact with a vehicle that refused to yield. The vehicle was pushed out of the way with little damage. At this time we arrived at the location of the motorcade, I observed the Team [ ] lead vehicle on fire and smoking with extensive damage to the front and right side. Team [ ] immediately exited our vehicles and set up a 360-degree defensive perimeter as per SOP while Team [ ] evacuated their downed vehicle. At this time Team [ ] follow and limo were leaving the scene, I approached the downed vehicle to ensure no wounded or KIA's were left behind. I opened the front passenger door; quickly scanned the interior of the vehicle noticing the [ ] had been left behind. Do to the flames and smoke; I decided to disable the [ ] by firing one round from my [ ] rifle. At this time QRF's Tactical Commander [ ], signaled via radio, verbally and with hand signals to recover and we left the scene. Just prior to leaving the scene we heard three shots fired from the rear of our motorcade. We were informed via radio that [ ] (Army vehicle Tactical Commander) and QRF Team member [ ] had engaged a threat vehicle that had approached our defensive perimeter at a high rate of speed (see [ ] firearm discharge statement). We proceeded directly to Venue arriving within 5 minutes. Upon arriving at Venue, the Principal was secured; casualty and damage assessment was quickly ascertained (No casualties reported). Team [ ] Lead destroyed, Follow and Limo slightly damaged. No QRF vehicles or equipment damaged. At this time it was decided to evacuate the Principle via BW-Air. Team [ ] quickly secured a Landing Zone and evacuated the Principle. We then planned a route and returned safely to the IZ.

I feel all members of Team [ ] and Team [ ] performed in an exemplary manner and prevented possible follow up attacks.

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To: Detail Leader, Dyncorp WPPS, Baghdad, Iraq  
From: [redacted] TC TM [redacted] b2 b6 b7C

Subj: Review of contact on January 4, 2006

As the Tactical Commander for TM [redacted] mission from USAID to the Ministry of Electricity I was sitting in the front passenger seat of the lead vehicle. This report is a review of what I observed before, during, and after the contact at [redacted] b2 b2

The lead vehicle slowed down to wait for TM [redacted]; lead vehicle to drive through and clear the tunnel at [redacted]. I did not hear TM [redacted] call over DPD radio to say it was clear. Our team had rolled so far forward by this time that we were now on the entrance to the tunnel and would have to reverse out to be able to go over the tunnel. The Shift Leader, [redacted] b6 b7C said at this time we are already committed, go ahead and go. At the same time, I observed a **silver or white van** with stripes on the sides pull from the side of the road and enter the tunnel. This van accelerated and drove very quickly.

The driver of the lead vehicle, [redacted] accelerated quickly; [redacted] b2 and we entered the tunnel. Approximately half way through the tunnel there is a slight bend to the right. It was around this location that the **IED went off and I felt the concussion and saw the blast on my right side**. I did not see any debris or object that stood out to myself because I was concentrating on linking back up with the lead vehicle of TM [redacted]. Immediately after the blast I called over the radio that the lead vehicle was down and for a "push out". [redacted] informed me that the power was gone from the vehicle. I then observed flames coming out of the engine area directly in front of my seat. I told [redacted] that the vehicle was on fire and then announced over the radio that the vehicle was on fire. I also observed that the front passenger door was now unsecured and about to fall off and the windows were about to fall out on the door and in the front.

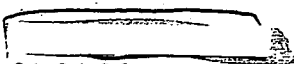
Next, SL [redacted] called for an evacuation of the lead vehicle into the follow vehicle. [redacted] drove the vehicle in a controlled manner and stopped it to begin the evacuation of the lead vehicle. The lead vehicle then commenced the evacuation into the follow vehicle and we departed the area.

Respectfully submitted,

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Air recommended the ☐ route due to a demonstration on ☐. Approaching ☐ the lead Hummer punched out and cleared the tunnel, while the rest of the motorcade slow rolled. The TC and myself noted a grey van stopped on the right side of the road pulled out and entered the tunnel shortly after the lead hummer. A moment after that we got the go ahead to enter the tunnel, as per ☐ into the tunnel. About midway through the tunnel the IED was detonated and the vehicle began to swerve right and left. I used counter steering to maintain my course and stayed on the gas. The engine was dead and we rolled to a stop just outside the far end of the tunnel. I put it in park and attempted to start without result. The TC called for push out and I put it in neutral. About this time I saw the follow pass us on the left, it immediately stopped and reversed to our left side. The engine was on fire and the distance between the vehicles was to close, so we cross-loaded and left the gear in the burning vehicle. Once in the follow we checked accountability and medical status, as the motorcade regrouped and proceeded to venue. At the venue the principle was air evacuated and the two teams regrouped. We took the ☐ route back to the IZ without further event.

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Date of Incident	05 Jan 06
Type of Incident <i>(i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)</i>	Use of Lethal Force
Location of Incident <i>(Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)</i>	Traffic circle East side of Bridge
Description of Incident <i>(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)</i>	<p>On 01/05/06 at approximately 0945 Hrs I, [redacted] was the Team Leader for [redacted] was assigned to conduct an advance mission of the Ministry of Communications for [redacted] is an integrated team, the order and composition of our convoy was [redacted]</p> <p>[redacted] We were proceeding to the venue via our [redacted] route which took us from the Check point, over Bridge [redacted] and into the large traffic circle immediately east, designated [redacted] Iraqi police (IP) had traffic stopped at each entrance into the traffic circle, blocking the roadways into the circle. Approximately half way into the circle, traffic was completely blocked. IP's had established a hasty checkpoint at the eastern entrance to bridge [redacted] and were escorting vehicles westbound across the bridge one at a time. This caused the traffic backup. Once committed we were unable to turn around and needed to continue through the circle. Traffic was blocked for several minutes and was impassable. Our position was exposed and I determined that it was unsafe for our convoy to remain stationary any longer. I gave the order for our attached unit [redacted] in the lead HMWV to begin directing the vehicles in front of the convoy out of the way. Due to the size configuration of the traffic circle the rear Turret gunner, SPC [redacted] could not cover the rear of the convoy alone. PSS [redacted] and PSS [redacted] deployed from their positions in the left rear and right rear seats (respectively) of the rear [redacted] HMWV to support SPC [redacted] in maintaining standoff distance to the rear of the convoy while [redacted] clear traffic sufficiently for the convoy to move. To the rear of the convoy there were several ingress points into the circle covering a span greater than 180 degrees.</p> <p>PSS [redacted] stated that while maintaining rear security he observed a White Mercedes sedan (on the BOLO list) at approx 120 meters move around stopped traffic. The vehicle failed to follow verbal and arm signals from Iraqi Police to stop. Once past the Iraqi Police, the car continued directly toward the</p>



convoy. PSS [redacted], PSS [redacted] and SPC [redacted] observed the vehicles actions. All three identified the actions as threatening. PSS [redacted], PSS [redacted] and SPC [redacted] all used verbal commands and arm signals in an attempt to get the White Mercedes to stop. When these commands were ignored PSS [redacted] and PSS [redacted] conducted Barrel waves which were also ignored.

PSS [redacted] in fear for his life and the safety of the team members, believing that the White Mercedes presented a threat to the convoy, fired approx 3 rounds from his [redacted] into the grill and hood of the vehicle to disable it. SPC [redacted] simultaneously identified the vehicle as a threat and also fearing for his life and those of the team, fire approx 2 rounds from his [redacted] into the grill of the vehicle to disable it. Having identified the vehicle as a threat PSS [redacted] was preparing to fire, when he heard PSS [redacted] and SPC [redacted] fire and observed that their actions had successfully stopped the vehicles forward momentum.

No injuries were observed inside the White Mercedes by SPC [redacted] PSS [redacted] or PSS [redacted]

After the vehicle was stopped, IP's approached it, taking control of the situation. The IP's waved our convoy on, indicating they did not need further from us.

The vehicle was identified as a possible threat when it began to circumvent traffic at approximately 120 yards. It was stopped approximately 75 yards from the rear of the convoy.

Immediately following the incident I informed the TOC per SOP. Sgt [redacted] informed the Army TOC.

#### Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

See above

#### Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Sworn statements were taken from [redacted] and [redacted] by DSS Special Agent Janet Meyer. Hard copies submitted to Detail Leader [redacted] advised that [redacted] will file a report through his chain of command.

Operator(s)  
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Vehicle(s)  
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Date 5 January 2006	Time 1300 Hours
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad	

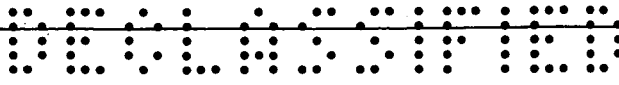
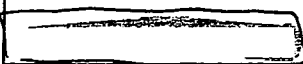
I, [redacted] hereby make the following statement at the request of [redacted] who had been identified to me as a Special Agent of the [redacted] b6  
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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

At 0945, on 05 January, 2006 Tm [redacted] crossed Bridge [redacted] and came into [redacted] a traffic circle. The motorcade came in at 6 o'clock and ended up near 12 o'clock when the T.C of the lead vehicle called out "dismount to clear the traffic ahead". I, [redacted] was riding the right rear door of the [redacted] Humvee, which was the last vehicle in the motorcade. I dismounted from the vehicle to assist the turret gunner [redacted] in maintaining the standoff distance to the rear of our vehicle. To our 6 o'clock there was an IP check point that was stopping traffic, while covering my sector I observed a fast moving 4 door white mercedes coming into the traffic circle, the vehicle ignored the IP check point and ignored the IP's hand and arms signals to stop. At that point I started yelling while giving hand and arms signals for the vehicle to stop, he ignored the warnings, I then felt threatened to my life and the lives for my team, I raised my barrel for another warning when [redacted] fired shots into the vehicles grill, about 75 meters out, the vehicle immediately then came to a stop about 50 meters out, then reversed out. There were 2 to 3 people in the vehicle. There were no casualties. The IP's at the check point then took control of the situation and waved us on, we then pushed through the traffic and moved onto our venue. b2  
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

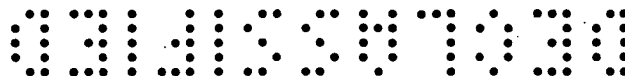
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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## Sworn Statement

Date	05 January 2006	Time	1430
Location			
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On 01/05/06 at approximately 0945 Hrs I, [redacted] was the Team Leader for [redacted] was assigned to conduct an advance mission of the Ministry of Communications for [redacted] is an integrated team, the order and composition of our convoy was [redacted]

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verbal and arm signals from Iraqi Police to stop. Once past the Iraqi Police, the car continued directly toward the convoy. PSS [redacted] fired approx 3 rounds from his [redacted] into the grill of the vehicle to disable. No injuries were observed and the vehicle stopped its forward motion.

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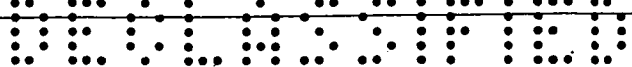

Immediately following the incident I informed the TOC per SOP.

See reports by PSS [redacted] and PSS [redacted]

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_ 05 \_\_\_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_ January \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

Signed
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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## Sworn Statement

Date 5 January 2006	Time 0945 Hours
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad	

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On 5 January, 2006, I [redacted] was the rear left gunner of the follow vehicle in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade. Around 0945 hours the motorcade entered [redacted]. The motorcade came into heavy traffic causing the motorcade to come to a stop. The TC, PSS [redacted] called for the need to clear traffic which was cleared by the Shift Leader, PSS [redacted]. I exited the vehicle in order to cover my sector, while the clearing team started to clear the traffic. There was a "bubble" to the rear of the follow vehicle of about 100 meters with stopped traffic. An IP was also at the point of this "bubble" helping to control the traffic. A white 4 door Mercadies was observed approaching the stopped traffic at a high rate of speed. The white vehicle went around the stopped traffic and failed to heed the IP's verbal and his hand and arm signals to stop. The white vehicle was around 100 meters when I started to give a clear visual cue with hand and arm signals as well as verbal commands for the vehicle to stop. The vehicle continued to approach the rear of the motorcade. I raised the barrel of my [redacted] and gave a barrel wave and continued with verbal commands. When the vehicle was around 75 meters, I was in fear of my life and the safety of the motorcade. As a result of the vehicles aggressive manner and failing to head to the commands, I engaged the vehicle with 2 rounds from my [redacted] to the grill of the vehicle. The vehicle continued its approach and I engaged the vehicle into the hood area with one round. The vehicle came to a sudden stop around 60-65 meters from the motorcade, and put the vehicle in reverse and started to back up. The IP that was helping with the traffic, approach the vehicle and waved to us to continue. I observed no injuries to any parties involved in the incident. It is important to note that I was out

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of the vehicle durring the incident and could be clearly seen during the hand and arm signal. Also the rear turret gunner, Spec. [redacted] also engaged the vehicle and can refer to his statement. I informed PSS [redacted] of the incident and he called the TOC as per Blackwaters SOP. Nothing follows. b6 b7c

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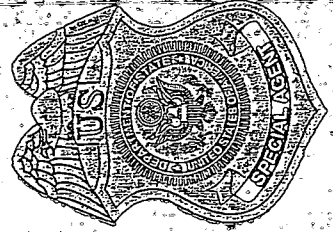
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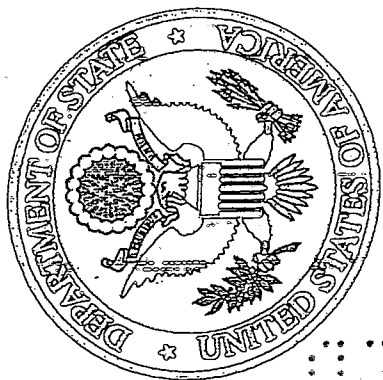
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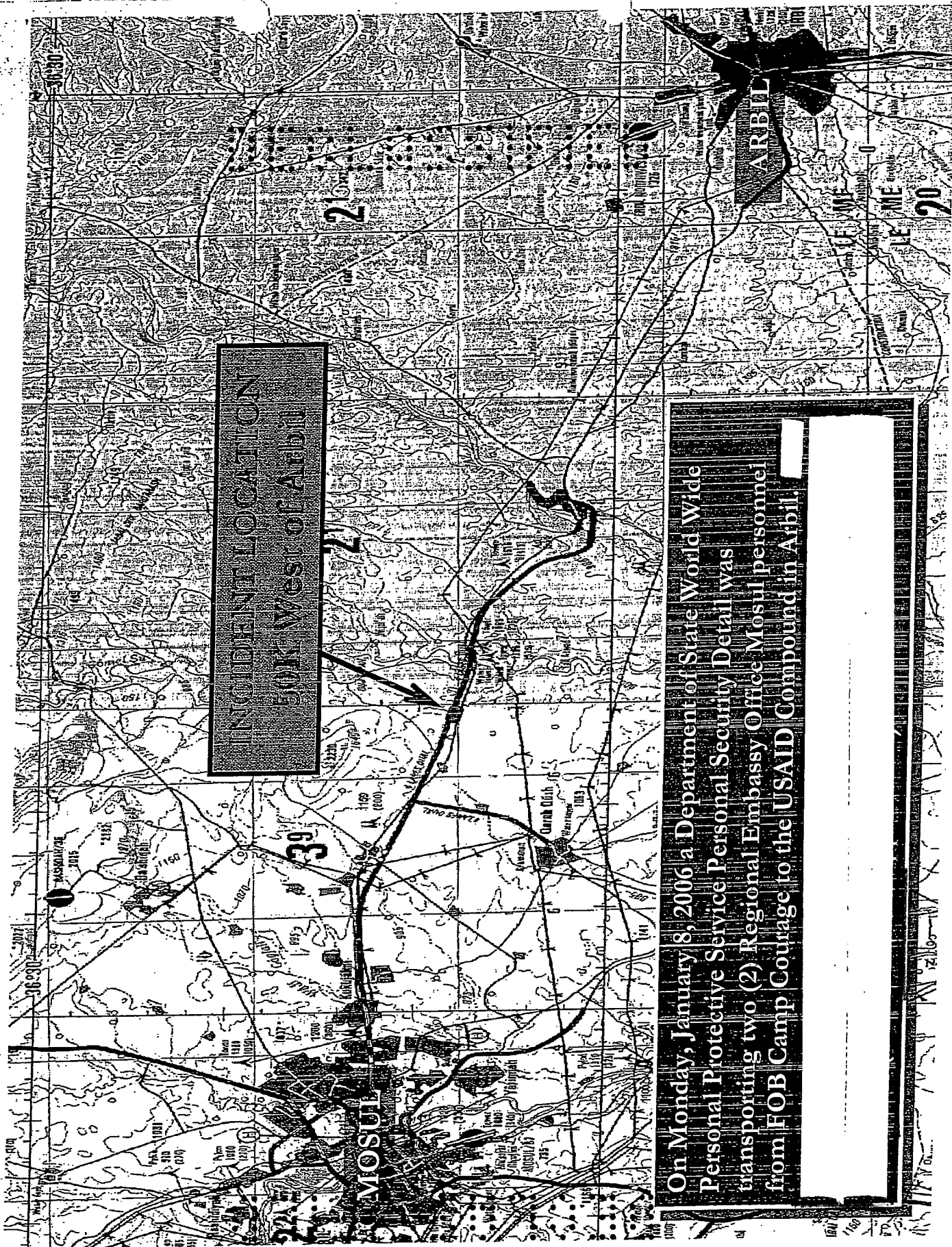
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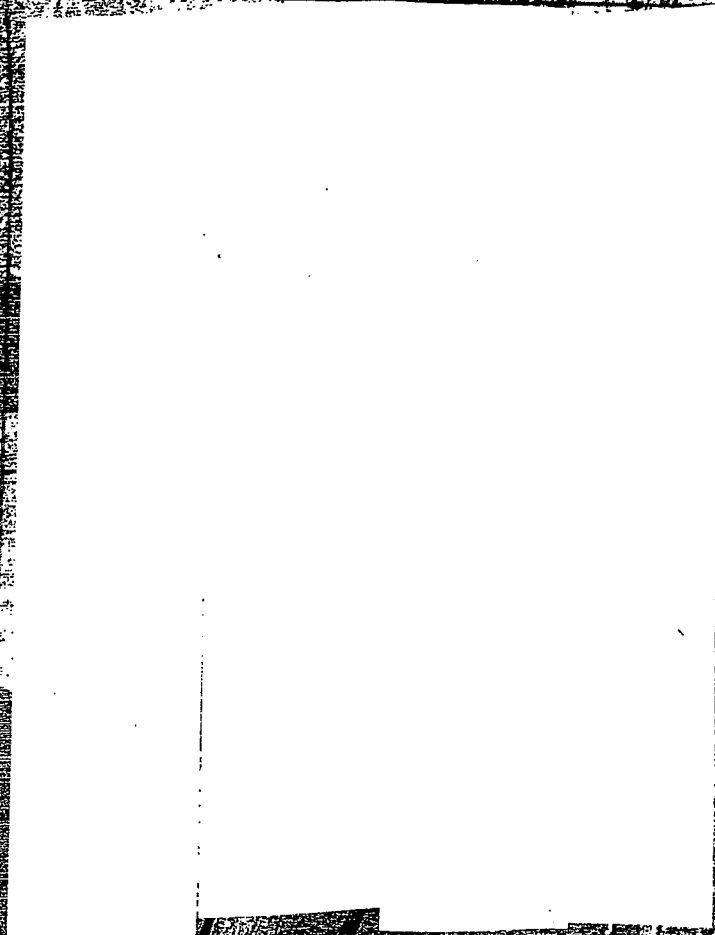
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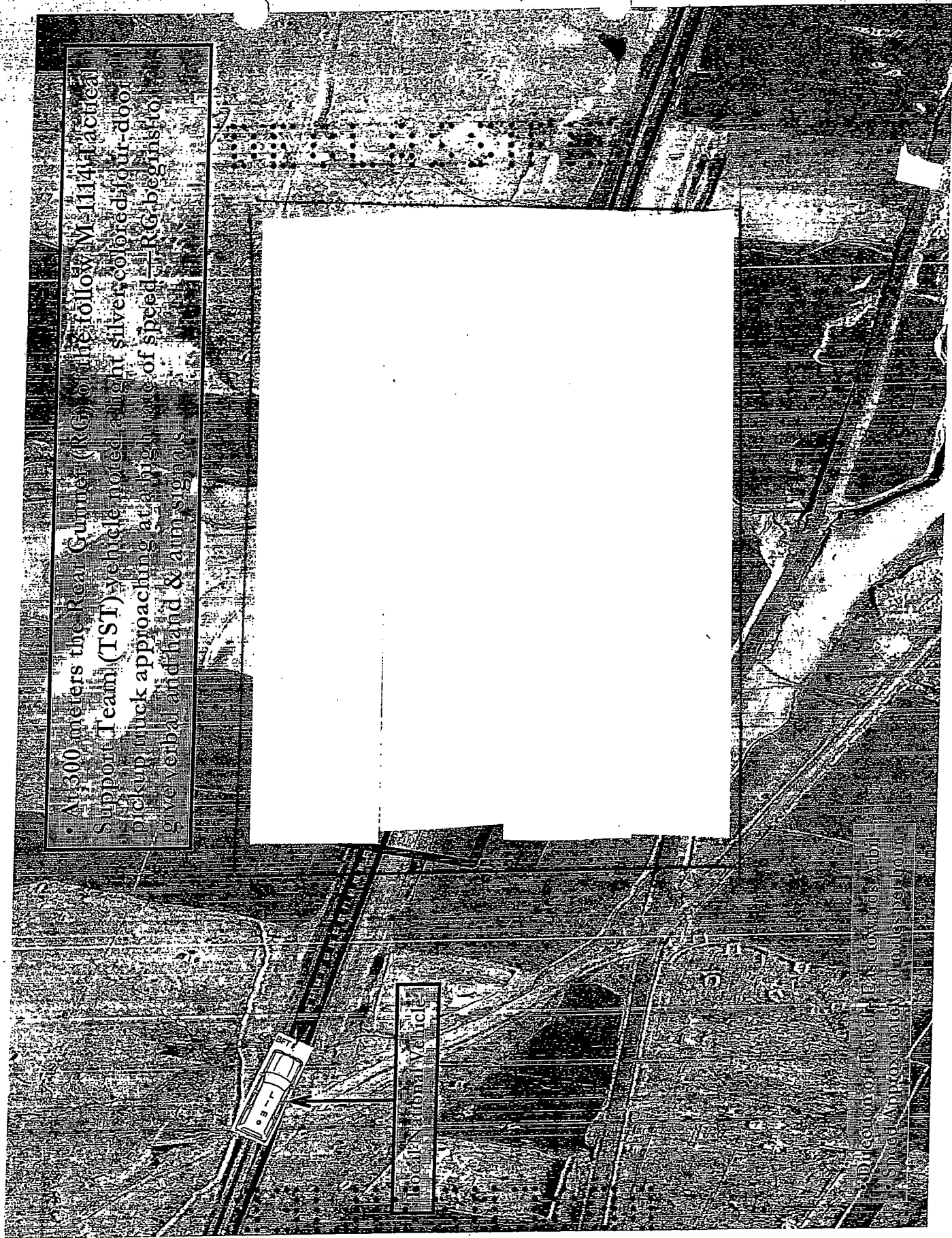
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At 300 meters the Rear Gunner (RG) of the follow M-1114 Tactical Support Team (TST) vehicle noted a light silver colored four-door pickup truck approaching at a high rate of speed. The RG begins to give verbal and hand & arm signals.



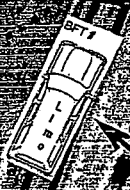
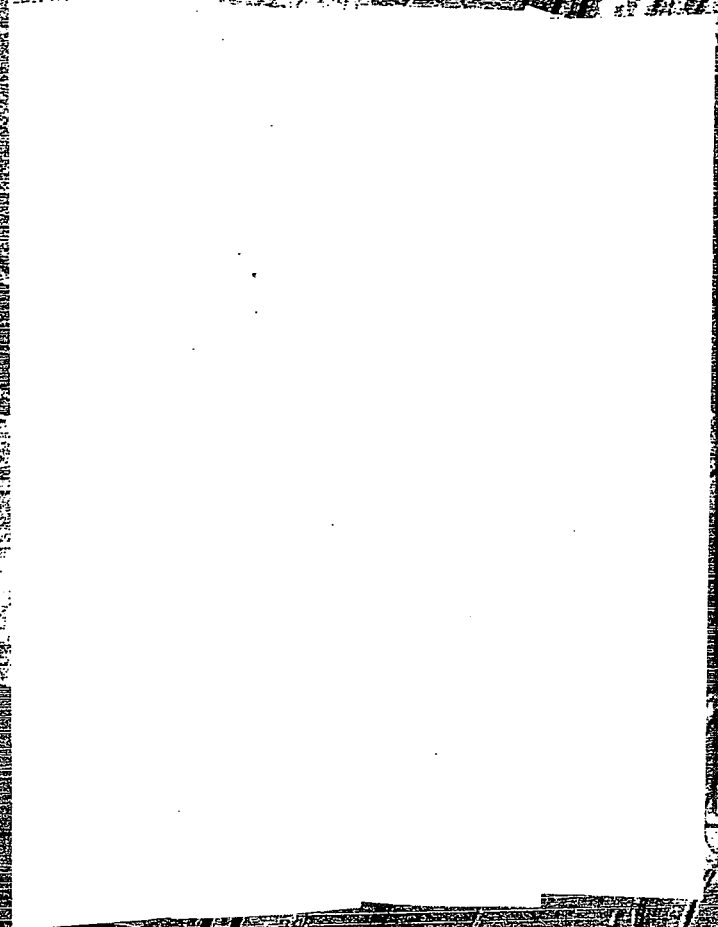
Location of Vehicle

Location of Vehicle, Eastwards Arbi  
Speed Approximately 60 miles per hour





RG, meso and lethal pyrotechnic (red) per flame directed at N vehicle.  
RG continued with verbal, hand and arm signals were given by the (RG)



Designation Vehicle

Direction of Travel East towards Arbi  
Speed Approximately 60 miles per hour

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At 1500 hours the RC-119 was observed heading south from the [redacted] round burst into the rear of the (LN) Vehicle [redacted]

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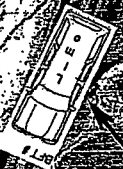
Direction of Travel Eastwards. Approx. 4000 meters per hour.

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After rounds impact the (LN) vehicle, it makes a controlled stop on the shoulder of the road this was observed by the (GR) and the U.S. Gunner (U.G) the Motorcade continues on mission without further incident.

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Direction of travel: East towards Atlat  
Speed: Approx. 60-65 miles per hour

# Incident Report

PSD move from Mosul To Arbil

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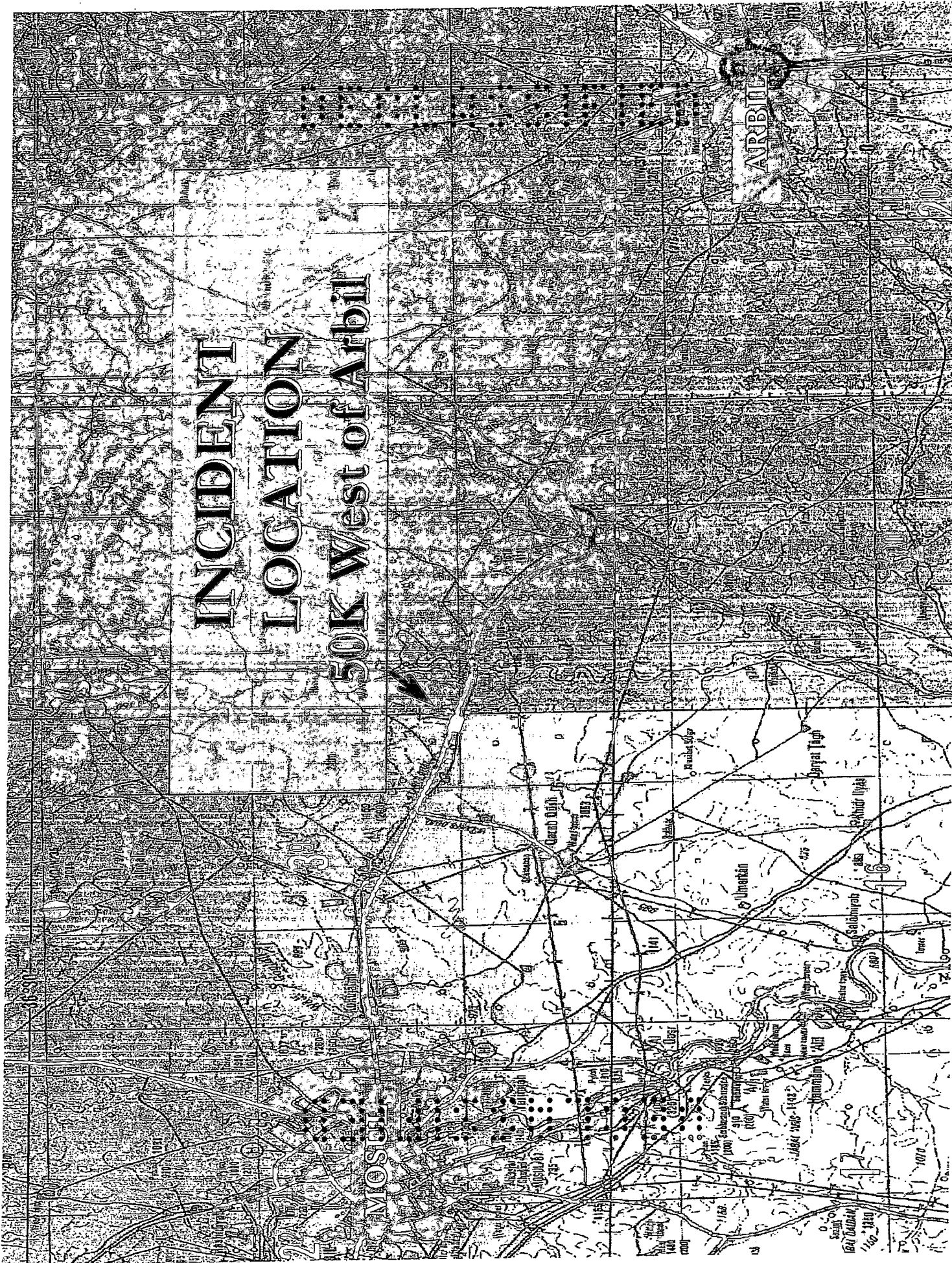


**INCIDENT  
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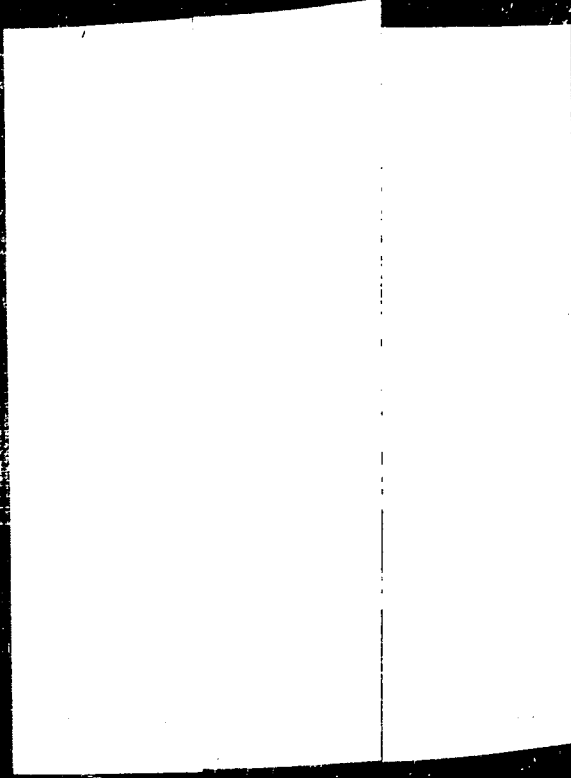
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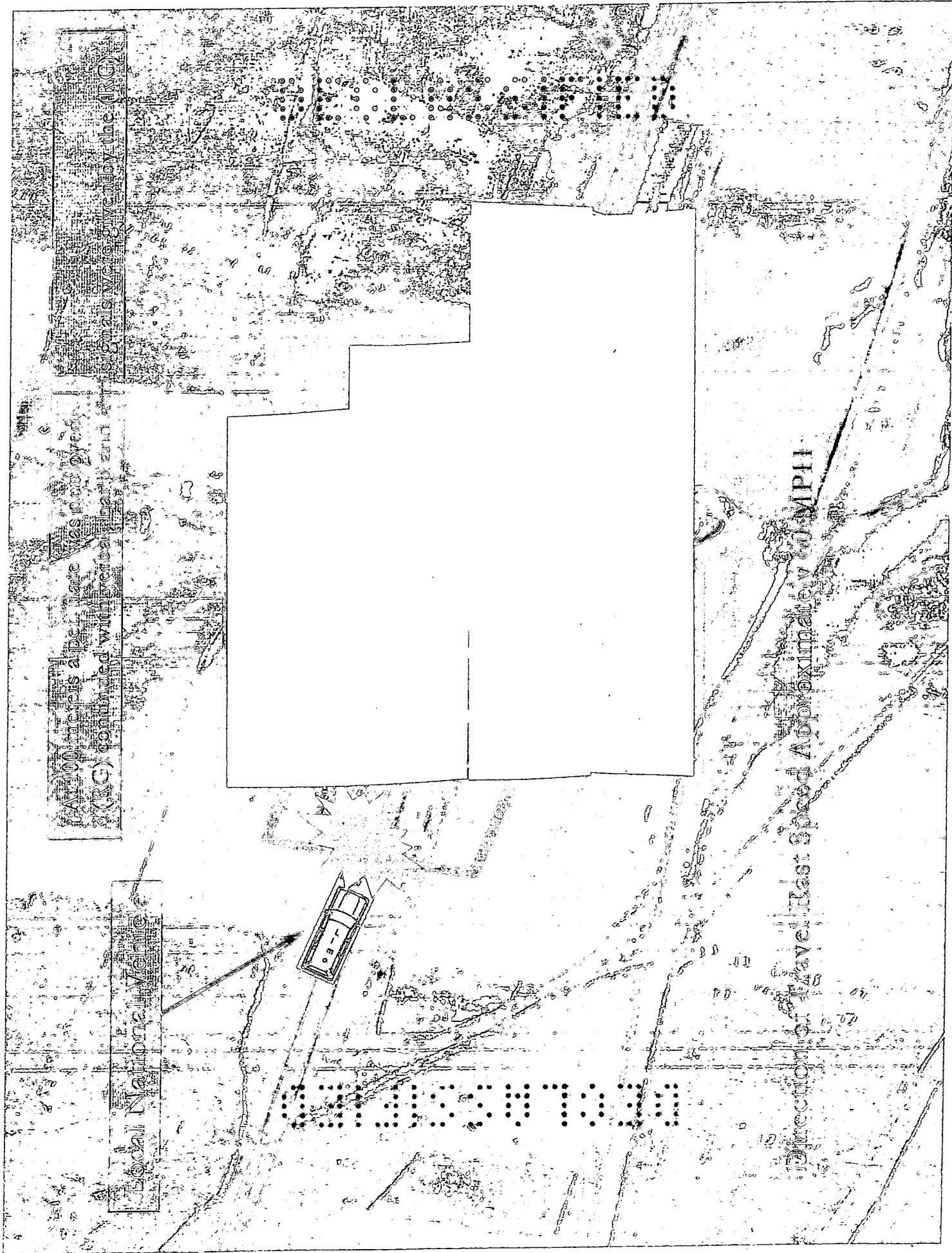
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All meters verbal and  
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were given by the (RC)

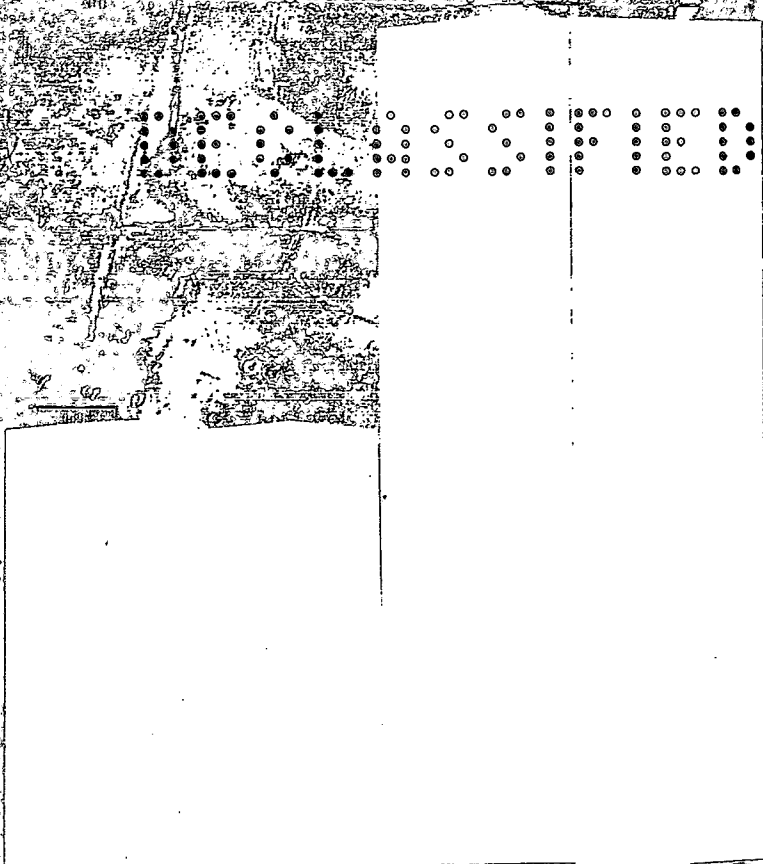
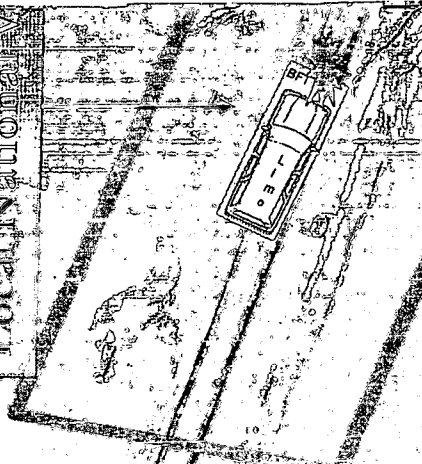


Direction of Travel East Speed Approximately 60-MPH



At 50 meters the (RC) transitioned to his Primary Weapon [redacted] and fired a 7 round burst into the [redacted] of the (CN) Vehicle.

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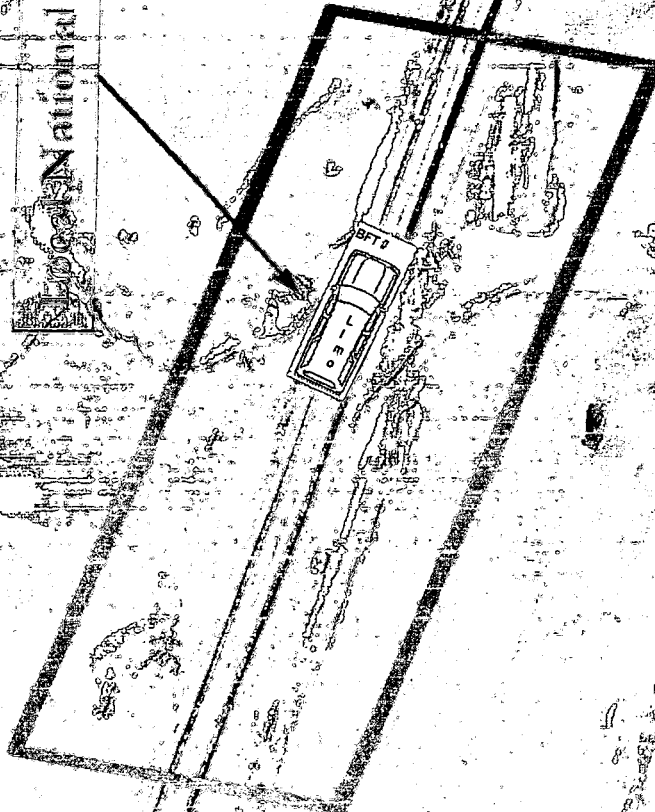
Direction of Travel Fast Speed Approximately 60 MPH



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The (LN) vehicle makes a controlled stop on the shoulder of the road. This was observed by the (G) and the (UG) the Motorcade continues on the mission without incident.

Local National Vehicle



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Direction of Travel East Speed Approximately 60 MPH



# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	08 Jan 2006	Time of Incident	0913	X0048
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Use of lethal force on a vehicle.			
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	North bound Route about 5 kilometers north of the village of Altoon Capri, about 20 kilometers south of Erbil.			
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>[redacted] was conducting a PSD operation transporting DOS personnel to the USAID compound in Erbil. After passing through the village of Altoon Capri at [redacted] who was manning the right rear door sounded off that a white pick-up truck driven by one fighting age male was approaching the 6 o'clock at a high rate of speed. Both [redacted] (right door) and [redacted] (left door), immediately cracked their doors and began to give both verbal commands and hand and arm signals to the approaching truck multiple times. The truck did not comply with any of the commands and ignored the written warnings on the rear of the vehicle. As the vehicle continued to close [redacted] employed a pen flare at the approaching truck at which time [redacted] reported the vehicle was continuing to close to within 50 meters of the rear of the follow vehicle. Fearing for the safety of the team and personnel being transported Shift Leader [redacted] cleared [redacted] to fire a round into the grill of the threat vehicle [redacted] fired one round from his [redacted] hitting the radiator of the threat vehicle. The vehicle then immediately pulled off the road to the right side. Both door positions reported that the drive appeared to be uninjured. The team continued mission.</p>			
Action Taken (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)	<p>All Team members riding within this vehicle wrote and submitted statements.</p> <p>Weapons deployed - One (1) pen flare round and One (1) round of [redacted] from an [redacted]</p>			
Follow-up Required (Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	<p>Investigation as required by the RSO and written statement to DSS by [redacted] b6 b7c</p>			

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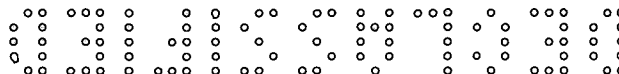
Operator(s) Involved	[redacted]	Vehicle(s) Involved	Follow vehicle	Team(s) Involved	[redacted]
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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE  
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**



<b>TITLE</b> 08JAN2006 Mosul PSD Shoot		<b>DS CASE NUMBER / REPORT NUMBER</b> 2006-003	
<b>TRUE NAME</b> OTHMAN, Mala Mohamed		<b>CASE TYPE</b> Administrative	
<b>POST</b> Baghdad	<b>DATE REPORTED</b> 20JAN2006	<b>DATES INVESTIGATED</b> 09-15JAN2006	<b>REPORTING AGENT</b> SAs Becht, Pryer

**SYNOPSIS**

At approximately 0857 hrs on 08JAN2006, a Blackwater PSD team originating in Mosul, Iraq and traveling to Irbil, Iraq engaged a local national pick-up truck containing two males. The rear gunner of the follow vehicle fired seven rounds from his \_\_\_\_\_ into the grill of the pick-up truck, after which he and the up-gunner b2 hgh witnessed the truck come to a controlled stop on the shoulder of the road.

In the following days, agents in Mosul, Irbil, and Kirkuk gathered information that a prominent Kurdish cleric named Mala Mohamed OTHMAN was shot and killed by a PSD team on the road between Mosul and Irbil.

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1. At approximately 0857 hrs on 08JAN2006, the rear gunner in the follow vehicle of a Blackwater PSD motorcade engaged a silver pick-up truck while traveling from Mosul to Irbil. (The motorcade was supporting an official Chief of Mission visit to the Deputy Minister of the Interior to discuss PSD operations.) According to written statements and incident reports generated by the Blackwater PSD team members, the rear gunner fired two distinct bursts, for a total of seven rounds, from his [redacted] b2 high  
[redacted] Both the rear gunner and the up-gunner, positioned in a turret on top of the HMMWV watched the pick-up truck come to a controlled stop on the shoulder of the road. Both stated that neither of the truck's occupants appeared to be harmed.
2. On 09JAN2006, RSO Kirkuk and RSO Mosul began receiving reports from local national employees working at the regional embassy offices and the local media that a prominent Kurdish scholar named Mala Mohamed OTHMAN was shot and killed by an American PSD team while traveling towards Irbil along the road leading from Mosul. This incident reportedly took place at approximately 0830-0840 hrs on 08JAN2006. Details of these reports are included in this case file.
3. On 11JAN2006, RA interviewed [redacted] the shift leader for the 08JAN2006 PSD movement to Irbil. [redacted] stated that he was seated in the right front seat of the follow vehicle as it traveled east along the Irbil road. According to [redacted] the portion of the road on which the shooting occurred is rated as a "medium threat" road. [NOTE: RSO Mosul observed that the threat level facing a US government motorcade decreases steadily as the motorcade travels from Mosul to Irbil. This is due to the fact that, while Mosul is a city occupied by a variety of tribes and ethnic and religious groups, Irbil is solidly under Kurdish control. In addition to being friendly towards American forces, the Kurds have also established checkpoints around the city of Irbil to prevent VBIEDs from entering.] b6 b7c
4. [redacted] stated that his team members typically maintain the same position each time they run. Although this was rear-gunner [redacted] first shooting, he had last zeroed and trained with the [redacted] two weeks prior, including training involving shooting while in a moving vehicle. b6 b7c b2 high
5. On 11JAN2006, RA interviewed [redacted] the driver of the follow vehicle in the motorcade movement to Irbil. [redacted] stated that the motorcade was approximately one hour away from Mosul and one hour and fifteen minutes from Irbil at the time of the incident, (RA note: The trip from Mosul to Irbil takes between one and one and a half hours.) and they had not yet crossed the [redacted] at which point they consider the threat level lower. [redacted] stated that he could not see the suspicious vehicle behind the motorcade, nor could he see [redacted] shooting. However, [redacted] stated that he heard two distinct bursts of fire from the [redacted] at which point he notified the other team members that shots had been fired. b6 b7c b2 high
6. [redacted] stated that he has fired the [redacted] from the shooting platform of the vehicle involved in the incident, and he considers the [redacted] to have a stable shooting platform. b2 high b6 b7c

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7. On 11JAN2006, RA twice interviewed [redacted] the up-gunner who occupied the follow HMMWV's turret during the 08JAN2006 movement. According to [redacted] the motorcade was moving at approximately 60 mph through rain when he heard what sounded like a pen flare being fired, followed by two bursts of automatic weapons fire. [redacted] turned around in time to see a pick-up truck pull off to the right shoulder of the road, in what he described as a "slow coasting." [redacted] emphasized that he was facing forward when [redacted] started shooting, and he did not turn around until the shooting had stopped.) [redacted] stated that he did not see any damage to the vehicle, nor did he see any signs of injury in the driver or the passenger. [NOTE: In a later interview, [redacted] stated that the rain made it difficult for him to distinguish anything particular about the driver or the passenger.]
8. [redacted] stated that the suspicious vehicle was approximately 50 meters away when he turned around, although the distance between the vehicle and the motorcade grew rapidly, as the motorcade was still traveling at approximately 60 mph. [redacted] stated that he did hear a brief, though distinct, pause between the two bursts of automatic fire from [redacted] weapon.
9. According to [redacted] the motorcade was approximately 30 minutes from Mosul and 30 minutes from Irbil at the time of the shooting. [redacted] characterized the threat level on this portion of the road as "low." (The U.S. military in the area rates the threat on this road as "Medium".)
10. On 11JAN2006, RA interviewed [redacted] the rear-gunner of the follow vehicle and shooter in this incident. According to [redacted] he first saw the suspicious vehicle approaching at a high rate of speed from approximately 300 meters away. [NOTE: Both [redacted] and [redacted] estimated the motorcade to be traveling at 60 mph and the suspicious vehicle to be traveling at 70-75 mph.] [redacted] began waving the pick-up truck off while shouting. When the suspicious pick-up truck drew within 100 meters of the motorcade, [redacted] stated that he fired a pen flare at the vehicle in an attempt to get the driver's attention. [redacted] then returned to shouting and hand signals. When the pick-up truck was approximately 50 meters away and had not slowed down, [redacted] stated that he fired two 3-4 round bursts from his [redacted] into the grill of the suspicious vehicle. He further stated that the pick-up truck then came to a controlled stop on the right side of the road.
11. When asked to carefully recall and describe the suspicious vehicle, [redacted] stated that it was a silver, 4-door pick-up truck, similar to a Toyota Tacoma. He stated that there were two occupants in the vehicle, and he was unable to see any injuries as the motorcade quickly pulled away from the slowing vehicle. [redacted] recalled that the pick-up truck's headlights were not on; he also distinctly recalled seeing a "cylindrical" vehicle make emblem on the truck's grill, indicating that the truck was possibly a Nissan or a Toyota.
12. [redacted] described the shooting platform in the back of the HMMWV as a stable swiveling steel bracket, and the weapon itself as securely "locked down," meaning that it was secure in its cradle. [redacted] stated that he typically spends about 50% of his time driving, and the remainder as either a

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- rear-gunner or an up-gunner. [ ] recalled that he last qualified with the [ ] two months prior to the shooting, and he last practiced firing the [ ] from a moving vehicle three weeks prior to the incident. b2 b6 b7c
13. [ ] estimated that the shooting incident took place approximately 25 minutes east of FOB Courage and 75 minutes west of Irbil. b6 b7c
14. When asked what he would do to improve the rear-gunner use of force options, [ ] suggested that the rear-gunner use a [ ] loaded with two flares and one [ ] as an additional method for gaining and errant driver's attention. b6 b7c b2
15. Based on the estimates of relative vehicle speeds provided by the up-gunner and the rear-gunner (a difference of 15 mph, or 2.60417 meters per second, as they estimated the suspicious vehicle speed to be 70 mph and the motorcade speed to be 60 mph), approximately 76.8 seconds passed from the time that [ ] first noticed the suspicious pick-up truck to the time he fired the pen flare (200 meters traveled at 2.60417 meters/second); approximately 19.2 seconds passed from the time [ ] fired the pen flare to the time he engaged the suspicious pick-up truck with the [ ] (50 meters traveled at 2.60417 meters/second); and approximately 3.84 seconds passed as [ ] engaged the suspicious pick-up truck with two 3-4 round bursts from the [ ] b2 b6 b7c b7d
16. RA inspected the [ ] mount system on the back of the HMMWV used as the follow car on 08JAN2006. Although there was no [ ] in the mount system at the time RA inspected it, RA still found it to be stable, with little give. b2 b7d
17. Later in the day on 11JAN2006, RA received from SA Cygrymus, the acting RSO in Irbil, Iraq, a summary of the police report provided by Irbil police chief Major General Abdulla Mohammed Said Khilani. [NOTE: SA Cygrymus estimated that by 14 or 15JAN2006 he would have the complete police report, including photographs of the pick-up truck and witness statements.] According to the police report summary provided by SA Cygrymus, the vehicle in which OTHMAN rode at the time of his death was a white Mitsubishi Pajero containing four people. RA and RSO Mosul again questioned [ ] and [ ] as to the number of occupants they saw in the suspicious vehicle, and both again stated that they saw only two. RA then showed [ ] and [ ] various dealer-issued photographs of Mitsubishi Pajeros, Toyota Tacomas, Toyota Hiluxes, and several models of Nissan pick-up trucks. Both [ ] and [ ] selected the picture of the Toyota Tacoma as the image most similar to the vehicle involved in the 08JAN2006 shooting incident. b6 b7c b7d
18. On 12JAN2006, RA reviewed the Blackwater TOC log for 08JAN2006. According to the log, the PSD motorcade moving towards Irbil left FOB Courage at 0802 hrs on 08JAN2006. At 0835 hrs, the motorcade left the city limits of Mosul. At 0842 hrs, the motorcade crossed a checkpoint near the town of Bartala. At 0857 hrs, [ ] engaged the suspicious pick-up truck. [NOTE: According to the 11JAN2006 initial Irbil police report provided by SA Cygrymus, OTHMAN's vehicle was attacked between 0830-0840 hrs on 08JAN2006. If this estimate is accurate, the PSD team was still in the b6 b7c b7d

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vicinity of the Mosul city limits; an additional 17-27 minutes would elapse before [ ] engaged the suspicious pick-up truck.] b6 b7c

19. On 13JAN2006, RA and RSO Mosul reviewed photographs taken on 13JAN2006 by PSD members who traveled to Dahuk, Iraq. [NOTE: After the 08JAN2006 incident occurred, OTHMAN's vehicle was towed to Dahuk, unbeknownst to investigators.] A careful inspection of the vehicle photographs led to three notable observations:

- a. This Mitsubishi Pajero, in addition to bearing the recognizable red triangular Mitsubishi symbol in the grille, also bears a cylindrical Mitsubishi symbol as a hood ornament;
- b. Although white, the bottom sides of this Mitsubishi Pajero is covered in a protective silver molded plastic material; and
- c. Six bullet holes are visible in the vehicle photographs, moving in a pattern from lower-left (driver's side) to upper-right (passenger's side). The last visible bullet hole is in the lower end of the windshield, just above the hood. This hole would be difficult to see from 40-50 meters away.

20. Photographs of OTHMAN's vehicle are included at the end of this report.

21. On 15JAN2006, RA and SA Pryer re-interviewed [ ] and [ ] SA Pryer began by asking [ ] to explain the declining threat level as a motorcade moves from Mosul to Irbil. [ ] stated that the road used on 08JAN2006, known as Route [ ] is classified by the US Army as a "medium threat" through its entire course from Mosul to Irbil. However, the PSD teams consider the threat level reduced to a lower standing once the motorcade passes [ ] b6 b7c b2

[ ] also stated that the motorcade had not passed any eastbound Kurdish checkpoints prior to engaging the suspicious vehicle on 08JAN2006. b2

22. SA Pryer reviewed the speeds and time passages recorded in this report with [ ] and [ ] Both [ ] and [ ] confirmed that the motorcade was moving at approximately 60 mph (they observed that the armored HMMWVs cannot travel over an approximate speed of [ ] mph), and [ ] stated that the passages of time recorded as use of force escalated appeared accurate. b6 b7c

23. SA Pryer asked why the distances at which use of force escalated—300 meters, 100 meters, and 50 meters—were so important. [ ] stated that, at 300 meters, he could begin to see that a suspicious vehicle's relative speed could imply a potential threat, so he wanted to start using hand and arm signals as soon as possible. At 100 meters, [ ] stated that the pen flare would be visible to occupants of the suspicious vehicle. [ ] added at this point that a pen flare would be difficult to miss. He described the pen flare as "a big orange fireball coming straight at [the suspicious vehicle], making a lot of noise and leaving a glowing trail." At 50 meters, both [ ] and [ ] stated that an SVBIED could cause significant damage to the motorcade; as such, [ ] observed that 50 meters is "almost too close" a distance to engage a suspicious vehicle. b6 b7c

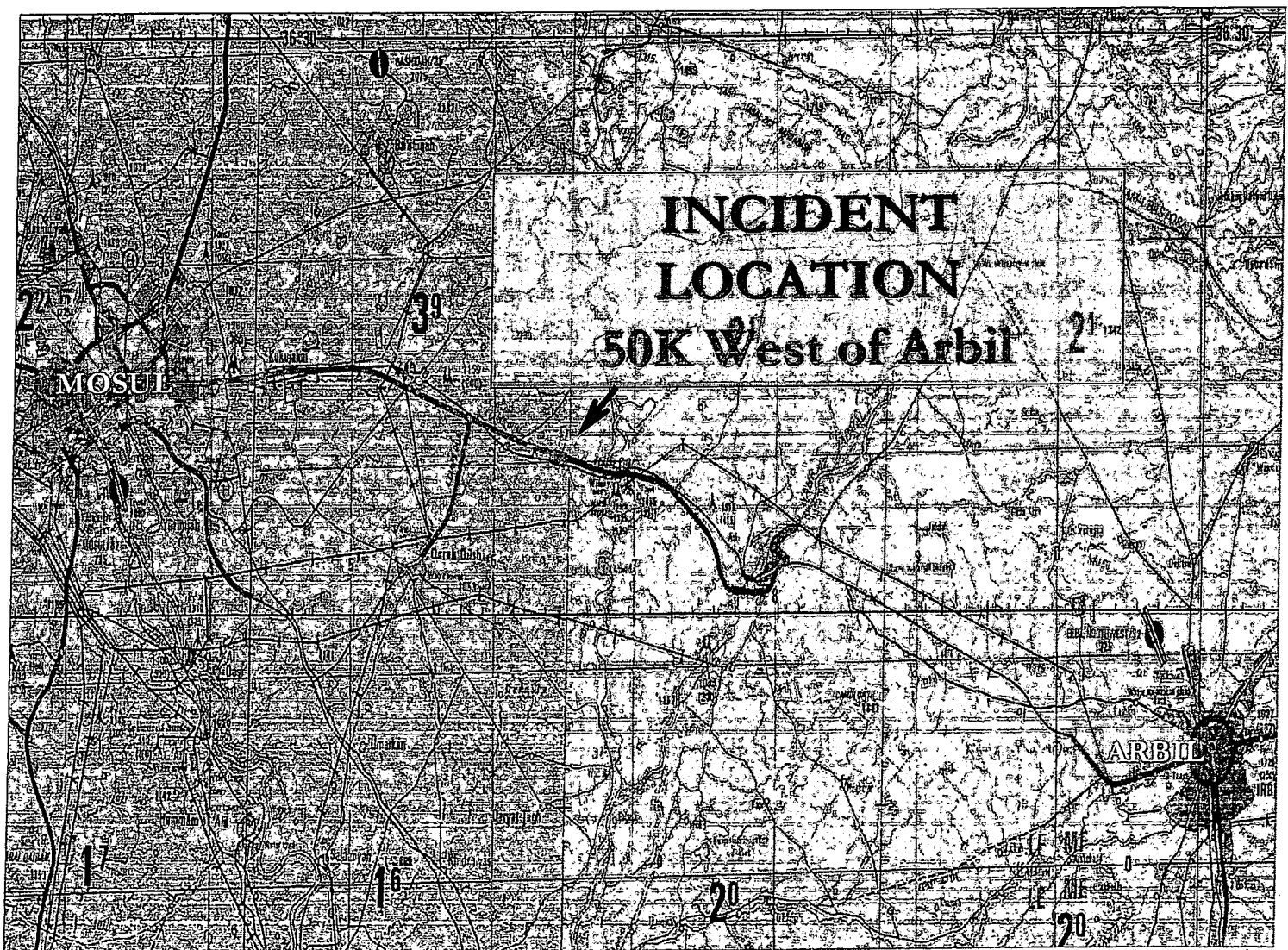
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24. [ ] observed that he fired two other pen flares at other points on 08JAN2006, both of which caused all traffic to move to the sides of the road. Just prior to engaging the suspicious vehicle on 08JAN2006, [ ] observed another vehicle, traveling in the same direction, that had pulled off to the side of the road with its hazard light on. [ ] commented that it would have been difficult for the driver of the suspicious vehicle to miss this activity. [ ] elaborated, stating that Iraqi drivers are now so accustomed to American PSD operations that innocent drivers will immediately pull off and utilize their hazard lights when they see a PSD team approaching. According to [ ] this makes vehicles that do not pull off to the side of the road appear even more threatening. b6 b7C
25. [ ] and [ ] then discussed road and weather conditions on 08JAN2006. [ ] stated that the skies were overcast, and they saw drizzling rain throughout the day. He estimated visibility to be 2-3 km. [ ] stated that, at the time of the shooting, it was not raining. He also asserted that he could clearly see the suspicious vehicle when it was 300 meters away, even though the vehicle's lights were not on. Both [ ] and [ ] observed that a pen flare would be clearly visible under those conditions. b6 b7C
26. SA Pryer then asked about the PSD team's training with the [ ] [ ] stated that the team last trained approximately two weeks prior to the 08JAN2006 incident. During the training, all PSD members fired 100 rounds with the [ ] from a static position, then engaged in at least one course of fire from a moving HMMWV. [ ] observed their efforts with binoculars from a nearby berm. He stated that [ ] did quite well during the training. [ ] stated that he last qualified with the [ ] in the initial Blackwater training approximately 3 months prior to the 08JAN2006 incident. He stated that he received a score of 37/40 on the DS qualification course. b2 b6 b7C b2 hgh b6 b7C b2 hgh
27. At approximately 1600 hrs on 15JAN2006, RA, SA Pryer, RSO Mosul, and ARSO Mosul joined the Blackwater PSD team for a demonstration of various flares on the FOB Courage range. RA and SA Pryer sat in an armored Suburban approximately 50 meters behind the Blackwater PSD follow HMMWV. [ ] who occupied the rear-gunner position, made a series of hand gestures at the Suburban. He then fired two pen flares at the vehicle; RA and SA Pryer agreed that the pen flares presented only a brief flash when first launched, with no accompanying noise, approaching fireball, or trail of smoke. SA Pryer did note, however, that the hand and arm signals were clearly visible, as was the prominently displayed sign warning other vehicles to stay back. [NOTE: This sign is printed in English, Arabic, and Kurdish.] SA Pryer then inspected the [ ] in the vehicle mounted bracket and concluded that it sat in a stable firing platform. b6 b7C b2 hgh
28. **UNANSWERED QUESTION #ONE:** The initial reporting out of Kirkuk states that, "This is a Sandy Group shoot. The Deputy Minister was a ware of who is the responsible party." (Wittliff email, 08JAN2006 1904 hrs) In an 11JAN2006 telephone conversation between RA and SA Cygrymus, the acting RSO for Irbil, SA Cygrymus reiterated the statement that, "the Deputy Minister of the Interior said this was a Sandy Group shooting." SA Cygrymus did not know the basis for the Deputy Minister's claim. **WHERE IS THIS RUMOR ORIGINATING?** b6 b7C b2 hgh

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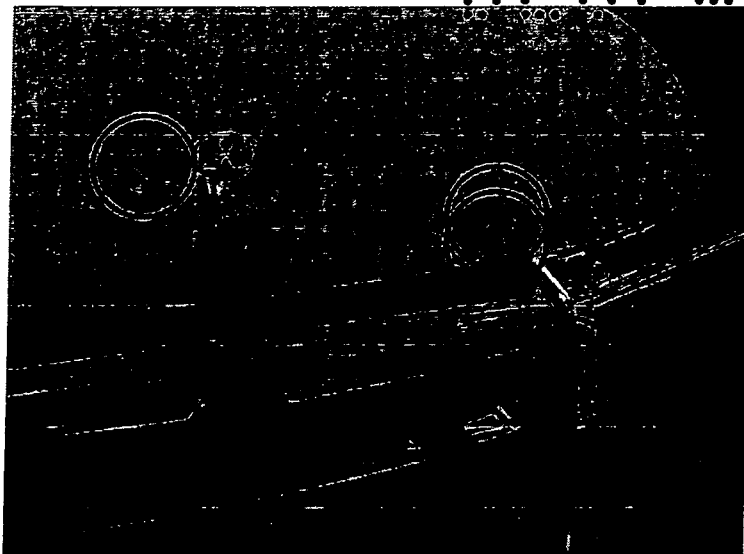
29. UNANSWERED QUESTION #TWO: We cannot get a clear picture from the various local police reports as to where exactly OTHMAN's vehicle was engaged by a PSD team. Various bridges, including Khizr, Khazir, and Al Kash are mentioned by the Irbil and Khabat police. RA has grid coordinates from the PSD team indicating where they engaged the suspicious vehicle, but at this point it is difficult to align those grid coordinates with anything provided by the local police. **WHERE EXACTLY WAS OTHMAN'S VEHICLE WHEN IT WAS SHOT?**

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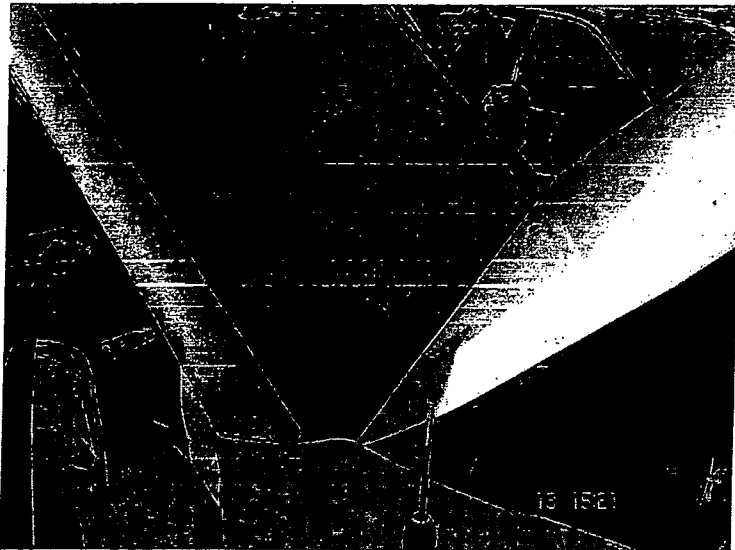
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This hole was created by Bullet 6, believed to have killed OTHMAN when it punctured his throat



This photo depicts the silver molding which runs along both sides of the Mitsubishi Pajero

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To: RSO Baghdad, RSO Mosul  
From: RSO Kiruk

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Subject: Investigation of possible COM PSD shoot resulting in death.

Based on approximate time, location, vehicles, occupants, and incident description is it probable a COM PSD (Blackwater) team from Mosul that fired on an aggressive vehicle led to the death of Mullah Mohammed Osman Mizori. However, as in any such situation there are some inconsistencies which need to be resolved.

Details:

Time: 0830 to 0900

Location:

RSO Mosul: [redacted] (this next to a bridge and 12-13km the East of Bartahla)

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Erbil Police: Near Bartahla – between Erbil and Mosul. 1km from the Al Kash (sp?) bridge.

Khabat Police: Approx. 1 km west of the Khazir Bridge on the Mosul-Erbil Road

Vehicles:

RSO Mosul: Motorcade: [redacted] b2  
Target: Silver Pickup Truck

Erbil Police: Motorcade: [redacted] b2  
Target: UNK

Khabat Police: Motorcade: The convoy consisted of the following vehicles - front to rear - [redacted] b2  
Target: White Pajero (mid-sized SUV)

Occupants:

RSO Mosul: 2 Males

Erbil Police: 2 Males

Khabat Police: 4 Males

Incident:

RSO Mosul: 7 shots fired from follow TST on fast moving vehicle

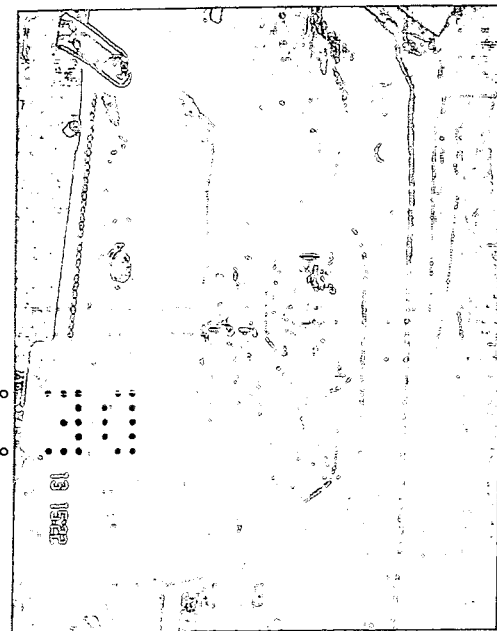
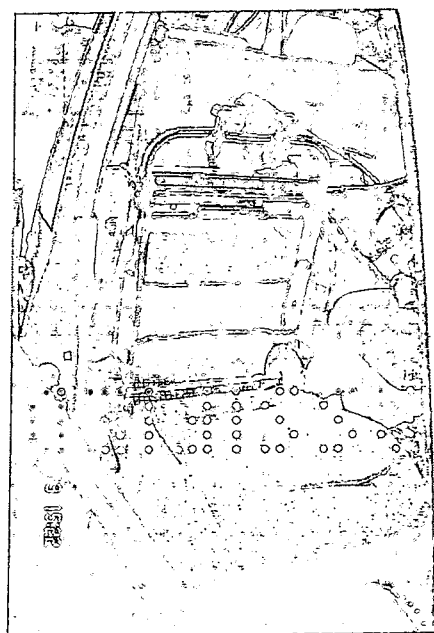
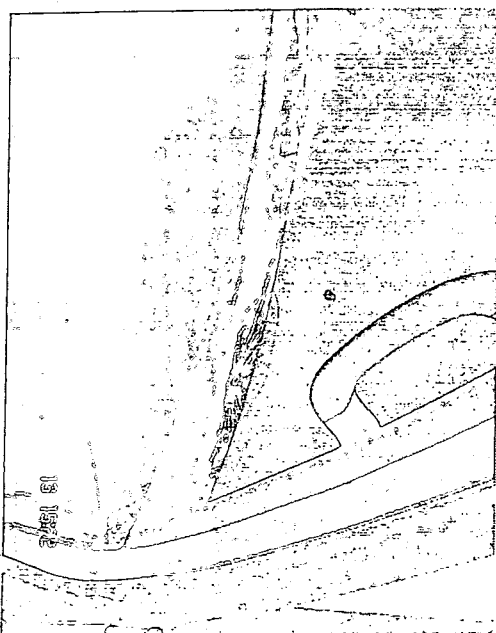
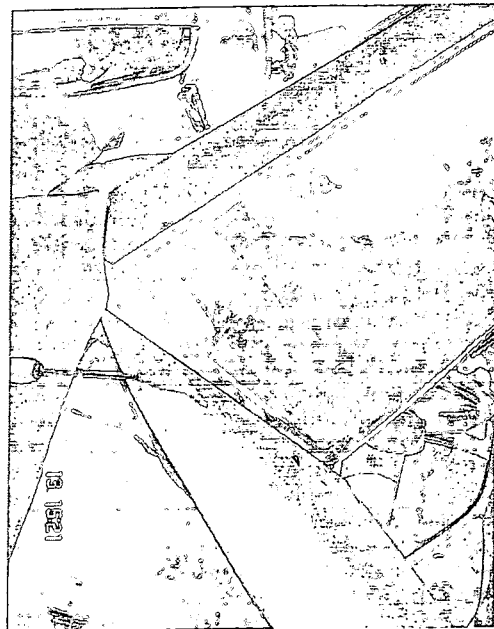
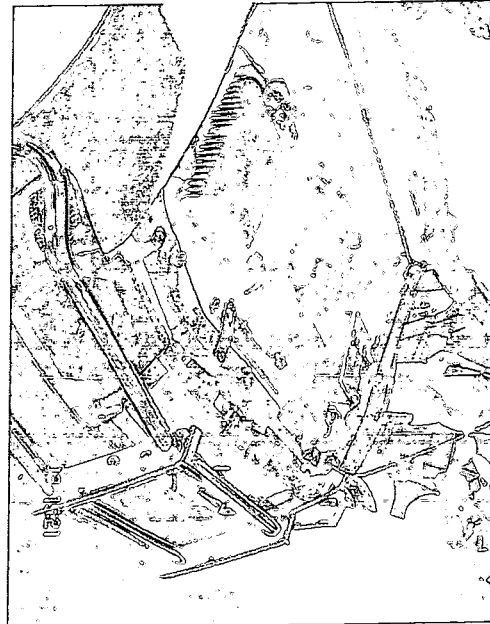
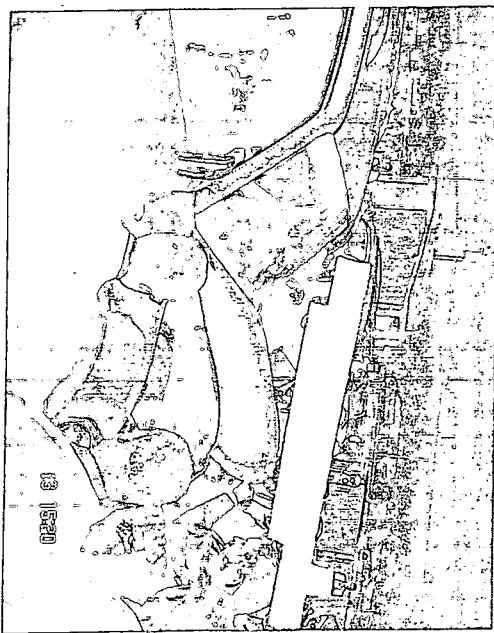
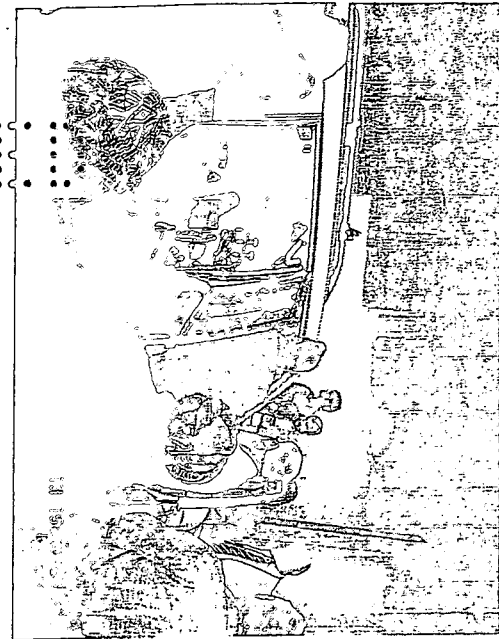
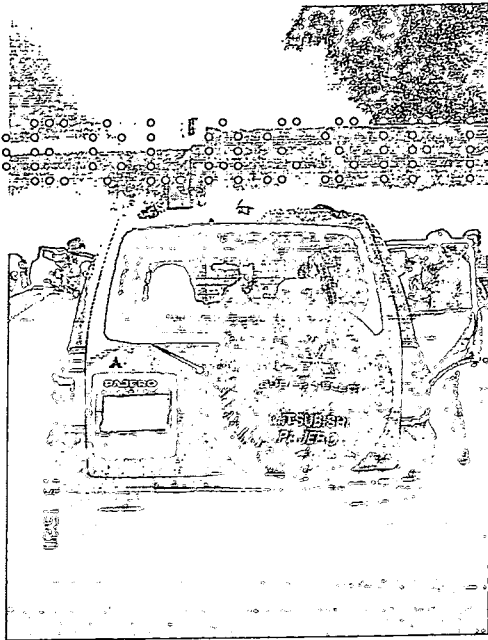
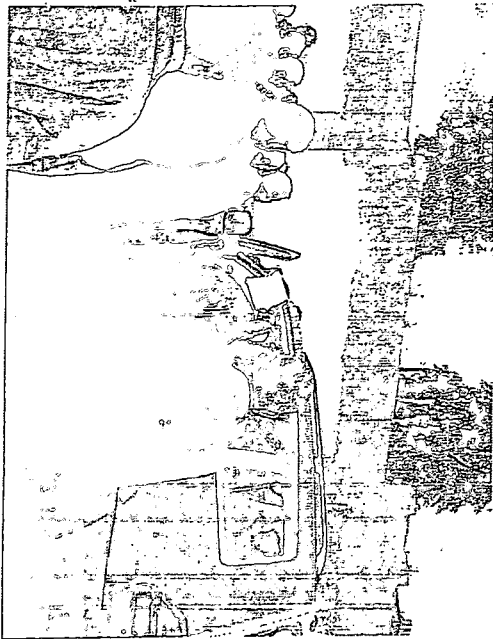
Erbil Police: 8-10 shots fired from rear HUMVEE as the vehicle tried to pass motorcade

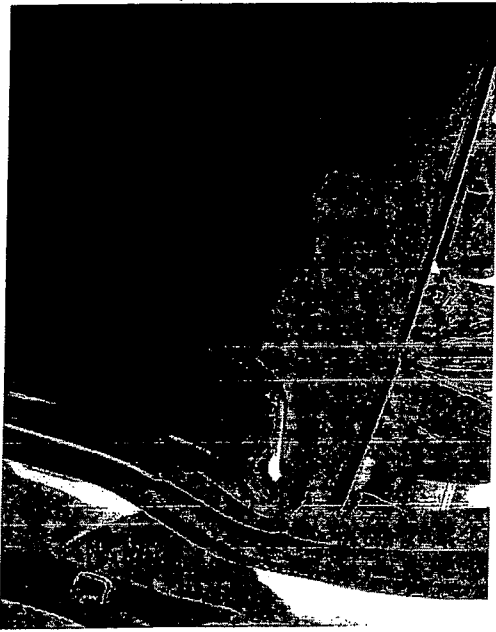
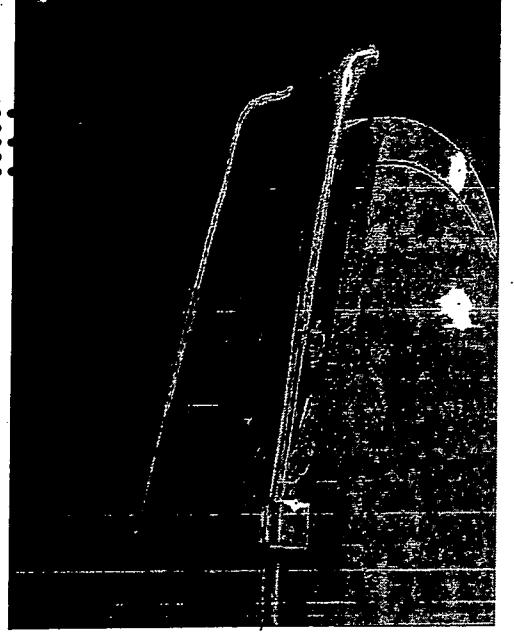
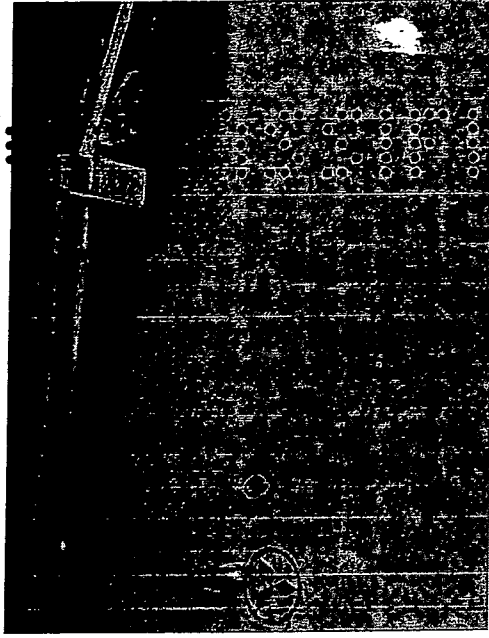
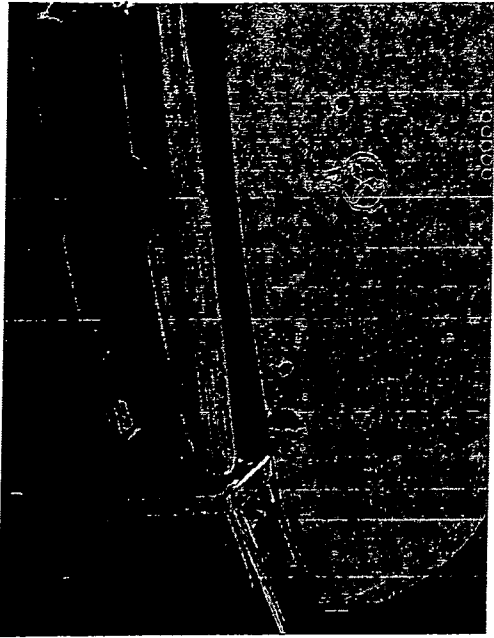
Khabat Police: 9 shots fired from trail HUMVEE as the vehicle attempted to pass

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

RB60010  
X0052 (P)  
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Date of Incident: 08-Jan-06 Time of Incident: 0857

Type of Incident  
(i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of  
Non or Less Lethal  
Force/Distractor Devices  
Deployed/Robbery)

Escalation of Force

Location of Incident  
(Describe location in detail, include  
route, date, local landmarks, and  
coordinates if known, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_ is a 4 lane road that runs  
predominately east/west from Mosul to Erbil. It's paved, and divided by a 12 ft  
dirt and concrete median, with two lanes on each side. There are various on/off  
ramps, and intersecting roads the entire length.

Description of Incident  
(Describe in detail the nature of the  
incident, all personnel involved,  
Principle(s) involved, injuries, if  
any, other US government and/or  
NGOs involved, other foreign  
nationals, TCNs and/or non-US  
government agencies involved,  
etc.)

While transporting 3 principles from the Regional Embassy Office (REO) from  
Mosul to Arbil, the Rear Gunner (RG) was providing rear security in the rear  
TST vehicle. In route on \_\_\_\_\_ a light silver 4 door truck with 2 middle age  
males approaching from the rear. The (RG) began to use hand and arm signals  
from 300 meters out. The silver truck with 2 male occupants continued to  
approach rapidly. He deployed a pen flare when the silver truck approached 100  
meters, the vehicle showed no signs of slowing. He gave hand and arm signals  
until the truck approached 50 meters, at that time the (RG) fired \_\_\_\_\_  
rounds at the engine of the truck to disable it. The truck slowed and performed a  
controlled stop on to the shoulder of the road. The (RG) felt threatened by the  
rapid approach of the silver truck and used minimal force to resolve the  
situation in order to maintain the security and well being of all individuals in the  
PSD convoy

Action Taken  
(Describe in detail what actions  
were taken, i.e. deployed air flares,  
deployed specific weapons  
systems, etc.)

The PSD while traveling east on \_\_\_\_\_ to Erbil in route to the KRG  
compound from 0800 to 1000. The Tactical Support Team (TST) HMMWV r  
(RG) observed a silver Pick-up truck with 2 Local Nationals (LN). The Vehicle  
was rapidly gaining on the motorcade. When the vehicle encroached upon the  
300 meter mark the (RG) immediately gave the hand and arm signal to Stop.  
The vehicle did not respond to the hand gestures. When the vehicle came with  
in 100 meters of the rear of the Motorcade the (RG) deployed a pen flare that  
would have been obvious to any reasonable person, The vehicle still did not  
respond the (RG) again gave the vehicle the hand and arm signal to Stop again  
the vehicle did not yield. At this time the (RG) transitioned to his primary  
weapon system \_\_\_\_\_ this weapon has not been  
modified and was inspected by the (RSO). The (RG) engaged the vehicle with a  
(7) round burst to the center of the grill of the grill. The (RG) did see his rounds  
impact where previously stated. The (RG) felt threatened by the rapid approach  
of the silver truck and used minimal force to resolve the situation in order to  
maintain the security and well being of all individuals in the PSD. The (RG)  
observed the LN vehicle make a controlled stop on the shoulder of the road.  
The (RG) visually verified that no one in the Vehicle was injured. The  
motorcade continued on mission to Erbil and returned to FOB Courage without  
further incident. This incident was reported to the (RSO) and \_\_\_\_\_ 3/3. The  
disabled vehicle was not noticed on the incident scene on the return movement

Follow-Up Required

This incident will be investigated by the RSO at REO Mosul and results will be

(Indicate what if any follow-up  
action is required, i.e. further  
investigation, notifications, etc.)

forthcoming.

The mission use of deadly force policy has been reviewed with the TST rear  
gunner.

Company chain of command was notified via and email spot report. This report  
will be forwarded as well.

Operator(s)  
Involved

Follow TST  
rear gunner.

Vehicle(s)  
Involved

Team(s)  
Involved

REO Mosul PSD  
TEAM

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed/

Printed

Address

Blackwater PSD  
FOB Courage  
APO AE 09334

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

Signed

Printed

Stephen M. Sexton, Special Agent, United States Department Of State, Diplomatic Security Service

Witness Signature

Printed

Address

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WP-GUNNER

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Sworn Statement

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Date: January 09, 2006

Time: 17:52 hrs

Location: Forward Operating Base Courage Mosul, Iraq

I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request ofStephen Michael Sexton, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S.

Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

ON 08 January 2006 I was the up-gunner in the follow M-1114 HMMWV of a [redacted] car motorcade. At approximately 0850 while enroute from Mosul to Erbil, I heard the sound of a pen flare being deployed. Several seconds later, I heard the [redacted] of the rear gunner open up with two distinct bursts, for a total of approximately 7 rounds. As soon as I heard the rear gunner fire, I turned around and observed a white colored pickup truck slow down and move to the side of the road. As soon as I observed this, I realized the vehicle was no longer a threat to our motorcade and I turned back around to continue covering my sector. I also relayed to the shift leader in the right front seat what I had observed. The motorcade continued to Erbil without further incident.

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- 60 MPH
- HEARD PEN FLARE GO OFF
- HEARD 2 BURSTS OF [redacted] TURNED AND SAW TRUCK PULL OFF <sup>b2</sup>
- FACING FORWARD
- NOT SHOOTING WHEN COMPTON TURNED AROUND
- SAW VEHICLE PULL OFF (CONTROLLED), DIDN'T SEE ANY DAMAGE OR INJURY TO PASSENGER
- BRIEF PAUSE BETWEEN 2 BURSTS OF FIRE
- APPROX. 50 m AWAY
- MAINTAIN POSITIONS
- THREAT LEVEL AS "LOW"

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Signed	
Printed	 b6 b7c
Address	Blackwater PSD FOB Courage APO AE 09334

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

Signed	
Printed	Stephen M. Sexton, Special Agent, United States Department Of State, Diplomatic Security Service

Witness Signature	
Printed	
Address	

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DRIVER

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Sworn Statement

Date: January 09, 2006

Time: 17:34 hrs

Location: Forward Operating Base Courage Mosul, Iraq

I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request ofStephen Michael Sexton <sup>SS</sup>, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S.

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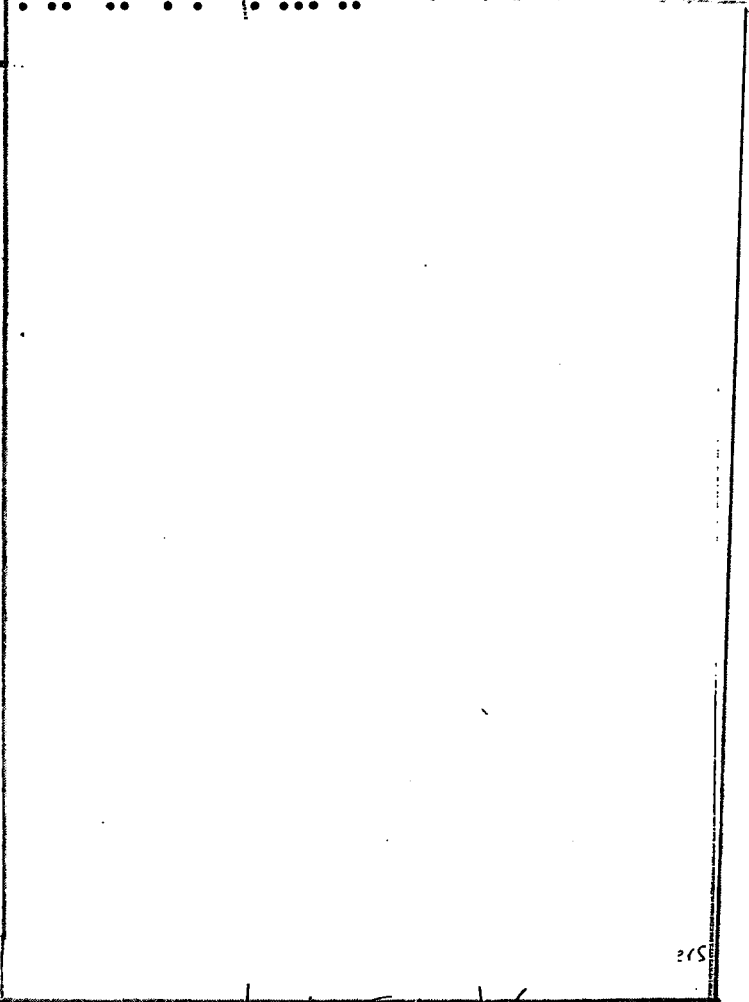
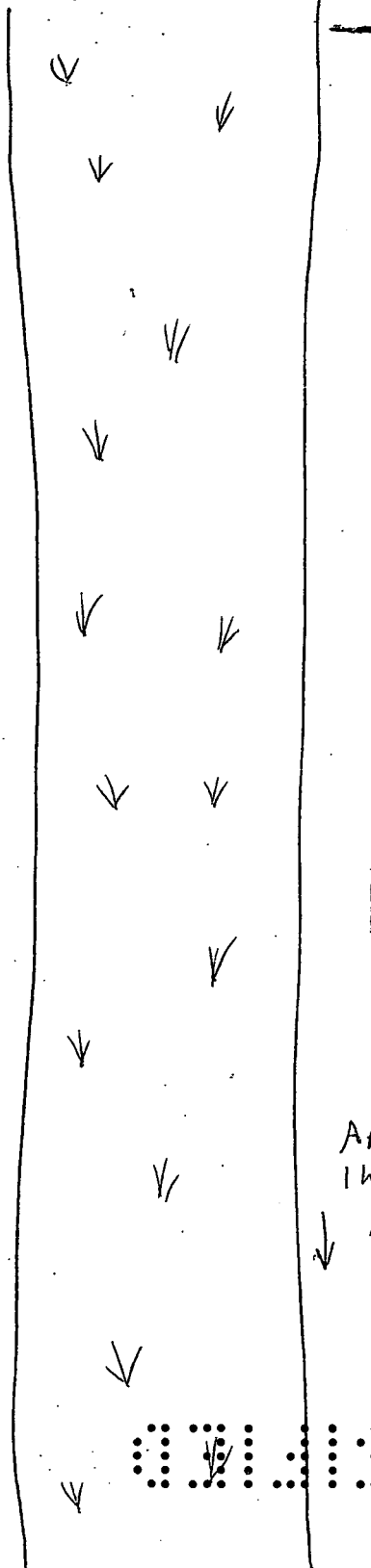
On 8 Jan. 2006 between 0830 and 1000 I, [redacted] was driving the follow Tacticle Support Team (TST) vehicle in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade that was traveling from Mosul, Iraq to Irbil, Iraq. At approx. 0857 hrs. I heard 2, three to four round bursts of automatic weapons fire. After consulting with the Shift Leader sitting in the front right seat of my vehicle we concluded that the shots fired were outgoing and not incoming. I then attempted radio traffic via inter-team communications to let the rest of the team know that we, as a motorcade, had shots fired. The shift leader at the same time was attempting to relay the situation to higher via our vehicle mounted radio. I did not see the circumstances which led to our well gunner firing his primary weapon system. The above statement is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

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- HADN'T YET REACHED [redacted] <sup>b2</sup>
- DIDN'T SEE PICKUP (OR, CONSEQUENTLY, ANY DAMAGE)
- BRIEF PAUSE BETWEEN BURSTS OF FIRE
- STABLE SHOOTING PLATFORM [redacted] HAS SHOT FROM THERE BEFORE) <sup>b6</sup>  
<sup>b7C</sup>

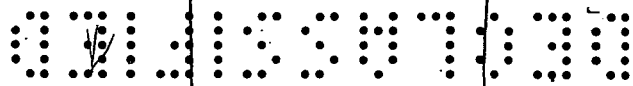
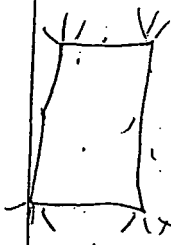
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from Irbil



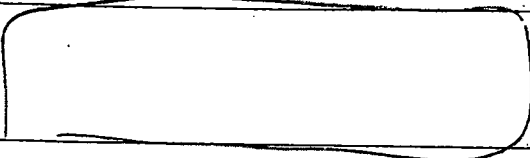

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Approx.  
1 hr from  
mosul



I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

03 JAN 08 1030

Signed	
Printed	 b6 b7c
Address	Blackwater PSD FOB Courage APO AE 09334

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

Signed	
Printed	Stephen M. Sexton, Special Agent, United States Department Of State, Diplomatic Security Service

Witness Signature	
Printed	
Address	

03 JAN 08 1030



SHIFT LEADER

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Sworn Statement

Date: January 09, 2006

Time: 16:50 hrs

Location: Forward Operating Base Courage Mosul, Iraq

I, [redacted], hereby make the following statement at the request of

Stephen Michael Sexton, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S.

Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

I [redacted] on the above date and approx. time was the Shift Leader in the follow Tacticle Support Team (IST) vehicle in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade that was traveling from Mosul, Iraq to Irbil, Iraq. At approx. 08:57 hrs, on the above date, I heard 2-three to four round bursts of automatic weapons fire at the above approx. location. After verifying that the shots were out going, and not incoming, I then attempted radio traffic via inter-team communications to let the rest of the team know that we, as a motorcade, had shots fired. At the same time was attempting to relay the situation to higher via our vehicle mounted radio. Highres were notified and we continued our mission without further incident. I did not see the circumstances which led to our well gunner firing his primary weapon system. The above statement is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

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- "PRETTY STABLE FIRING PLATFORM"
- FAR LADY: MODIFIED HUMVEE
- THIS WAS [redacted] FIRST SHOOTING
- THIS PORTION IS A MEDIUM THREAT SECTION OF [redacted]
- "JFK BULLET": A FLUKE THROUGH THE ENGINE BLOCK,
- PEOPLE MAINTAIN SAME POSITIONS
- [redacted] LAST ZEROED THE [redacted] TRAINED 2 WEEKS AGO

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Signed	
Printed	
Address	
Blackwater PSD FOB Courage APO AE 09334	

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

Signed	
Printed	
Stephen M. Sexton, Special Agent, United States Department Of State, Diplomatic Security Service	

Witness Signature	
Printed	
Address	

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**From:** Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2006 2:03 PM  
**To:** Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad); Pryor, Christopher E (Baghdad)  
**Cc:** Krajicek, John (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** FW: Shooting incident-Mosul-08 Jan 06  
 FYI....

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** David T. Rogers [mailto:\_\_\_\_\_] b6  
 b7c  
**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2006 1:29 PM  
**To:** Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Wommack, William G (Baghdad); Victor Esposito; Danielle L. Morrison; Matthew Stuckart; Tony Valusek; Randy Leonard  
**Subject:** Shooting incident-Mosul-08 Jan 06

To all,

While transporting 3 principles from the Regional Embassy Office (REO) from Mosul to Arbil, the Rear Gunner (RG) was providing rear security in the rear TST vehicle. In route on \_\_\_\_\_ a light silver 4 door truck with 2 middle age males approaching from the rear. The (RG) began to use hand and arm signals from 300 meters out. The silver truck with 2 male occupants continued to approach rapidly. He deployed a pen flare when the silver truck approached 100 meters, the vehicle showed no signs of slowing. He gave hand and arm signals until the truck approached 50 meters, at that time the (RG) fired \_\_\_\_\_ rounds at the engine of the truck to disable it. The truck slowed and performed a controlled stop on to the shoulder of the road. The (RG) felt threatened by the rapid approach of the silver truck and used minimal force to resolve the situation in order to maintain the security and well being of all individuals in the PSD convoy. The occupants appeared not to be injured. b2  
 If you have any questions please contact me directly.

V/R,

David T. Rogers  
 Project Manager  
 Baghdad, Iraq  
 Ph# 914-822-5628

03:15:07:30

FW: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

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**From:** Sexton, Stephen M  
**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2006 7:26 PM  
**To:** Hunter, Mark J (Baghdad); Krajicek, John (Baghdad); Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)  
**Cc:** Grant, Bruce D (Mosul); Wittliff, H. Albert; Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** 060109 - Kurdish Clergyman Incident  
Mark,

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I have to go down and read in General Rife with the RC and [redacted] I've put this storyboard together to lay out our situation.

Matt and I had a brief conversation just now on the phone. I will have all statements and IRs ready for him (and personnel lined up).

Regards,

Steve

*Stephen M. Sexton*  
Regional Security Officer - Mosul, Iraq  
Special Agent - U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service  
(US-based number)

SBU-LAN: [redacted]  
C-LAN: [redacted]

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**From:** Hunter, Mark J (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2006 6:51 PM  
**To:** Gettinger, H. Carl (Mosul); Ford, Robert S (Baghdad); Krajicek, John (Baghdad); Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)  
**Cc:** Sexton, Stephen M; Grant, Bruce D (Mosul); Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk); Hudson, Clarence (TDY Mosul)  
**Subject:** RE: 060108 - Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

We are sending up Special Agent Matt Becht as soon as we can get a flight up; tomorrow or Wednesday. In the meantime, RSO Steve Sullivan will begin taking statements. We have the compensation program and should start working this with the family as soon as possible. Mark

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**From:** Gettinger, H. Carl (Mosul)  
**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2006 6:36 PM  
**To:** Ford, Robert S (Baghdad)  
**Cc:** Sexton, Stephen M; Grant, Bruce D (Mosul); Hunter, Mark J (Baghdad); Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk); Hudson, Clarence (TDY Mosul)  
**Subject:** FW: 060108 - Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Robert

03:11:08:07:03:00

Heads up on some bad news. You may have already heard from Mark Hunter.

Look down at the original email before continuing.

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It's looking now as if it was our own Mosul PSD that did this deed yesterday morning. Our group had a shooting incident on the way to Erbil but at first it did not appear to be the same incident as this one involving the cleric. I won't go into all the details but our incident was a shoot at the grill to disable a vehicle incident not intended to cause injuries/fatalities. The vehicle was coming at our convoy and failed to yield to various warnings. The intent to shoot to disable and not harm seems to have gone terribly wrong.

RSO Steve Sexton is going over everything connected with this incident, talking to all involved and is in touch with Mark. I am trying to get through to BG Rife and let him know what we know.

This is a bare bones notice for right now. More to follow.

HCG

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**From:** Sexton, Stephen M  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 9:14 PM  
**To:** Grant, Bruce D (Mosul); Gettinger, H. Carl (Mosul)  
**Subject:** 060108 - Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Gentlemen,

FYI

Regards,

Steve

*Stephen M. Sexton*  
Regional Security Officer - Mosul, Iraq  
Special Agent - U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service  
(US-based number)

SBU-LAN: [redacted] 66,67c  
C-LAN: [redacted]

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**From:** Wittliff, H. Albert  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 7:04 PM  
**To:** Sexton, Stephen M; Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)(APO); Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)  
**Cc:** Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Roger. This is a Sandy Group shoot.

The Deputy Minister was aware of who is the responsible party.

Albert  
ARSO - Kirkuk



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**From:** Sexton, Stephen M

**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 5:29 PM

**To:** Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)(APO); Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)

**Cc:** Wittliff, H. Albert; Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)

**Subject:** RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Hold up gentlemen; this was not my team and I'd ask that we stand fast until we can get more information on this incident.

Word is that this shoot was the "Sandy Group" which is owned and operated by a Kurdish American.

Albert: Didn't the D/Min mention this to us in the meeting?

*Stephen M. Sexton*

Regional Security Officer - Mosul, Iraq

Special Agent - U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service

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C-LAN: [REDACTED]

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**From:** Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)(APO)

**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 4:57 PM

**To:** Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)

**Cc:** Sexton, Stephen M

**Subject:** RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

I am forwarding to Steve Sexton. They did have an incident on the way to Erbil from Mosul this morning. I don't know if it is this one or not, though.

Brad

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)(Kirkuk)

**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 4:50 PM

**To:** Hudson, Clarence (TDY Mosul)(APO); Hohman, Jerome P (Mosul)(APO)

**Cc:** Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)

**Subject:** FW: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Clarence et al., in case you hadn't seen. This seems to be in your bailiwick.

Brad, pls share any info you pick up.

Thanks

Rick

**From:**

**To: KIRKUK ALL POL-ECON DL**

**Subject:** a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Mala Mohamed Othman, Kurdistan Muslims scholars Association, Dhokuk Office Head was gunned down by American today on his way to Erbil

Kurdistan Muslims scholars Association strongly condemned this attack and they asked for immediate investigation!

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\*FW: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

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Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)

From: Wittliff, H. Albert  
Sent: Monday, January 09, 2006 7:53 PM  
To: Sexton, Stephen M  
Cc: Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Hunter, Mark J (Baghdad); Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)  
Subject: RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Here are the data points I've put together so far.

Stay safe,  
Albert  
ARSO - Kirkuk

From: Sexton, Stephen M  
Sent: Monday, January 09, 2006 7:29 PM  
To: Wittliff, H. Albert  
Subject: RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

lead follow is the brand new DOS-1114

is a 12 year old green camouflaged.

Not for nothin' but it's me, isn't it?

Going to see the general now...

*Stephen M. Sexton*  
Regional Security Officer - Mosul, Iraq  
Special Agent - U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service  
(US-based number)

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From: Wittliff, H. Albert  
Sent: Monday, January 09, 2006 7:22 PM  
To: Sexton, Stephen M  
Subject: RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Steve,

What color is your "lead" M1114? And what color for the follow?

Albert

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1/9/2006

From: Sexton, Stephen M

Sent: Monday, January 09, 2006 5:16 PM

To: Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Wittliff, H. Albert; Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)

Subject: RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

All: Spoke to Mark...working on putting a detailed as s\*^\$ package together. Mark's going to send Matt Becht up (known around these parts as Agent 87) to do the soup-to-nuts on this.

Al: Can't get through on land line. Either way, I think we all know now that this 110% was my team's shooting. Either way, please let me know what you find out from your Erbil cop contacts.

*Stephen M. Sexton*

Regional Security Officer - Mosul, Iraq

Special Agent - U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service

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From: Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad)

Sent: Monday, January 09, 2006 2:54 PM

To: Wittliff, H. Albert; Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)

Cc: Sexton, Stephen M

Subject: RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Thanks Al. Do we know what company's PSD did this? Why do they specifically mention HUMVEES? Anyway we could get an article in the paper or info on the radio that it was NOT Americans?

-----Original Message-----

From: Wittliff, H. Albert

Sent: Monday, January 09, 2006 2:09 PM

To: Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)

Cc: Sexton, Stephen M; Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad)

Subject: RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Importance: High

Follow up on this shooting. It came back up when the Kirkuk RC was meeting with KRG officials. I'll follow up with Gen Bektyar and try to reconfirm the Sandy Group comment.

We need to try and get some clarity. Based on timing of the incident and location it is possible that it was a COM team. We just need to be sure before we issue a statement. See the article below. Steve, can you address the "checkpoint" issue?

Mala Mohamed Othman Mzuri was killed by American bullets

Early this morning "Mohamed Othman Muzri" a famous religious man and preacher of the biggest mosque

in Dhok, Deputy- Head of Kurdistan Muslim Scholars Union, Dhok Branch (office) on the main road between Erbil -Mosul was shot dead by an American force.

Regarding this attack, Mala Islam Ibrahim, a senior official of Kurdistan Muslim Scholars Union and Head of Dhok Branch who was slightly wounded said that early this morning we left Dhok to Erbil and near Bartala town we found ourselves under the fire and shooting of a number of vehicles and I do not know the exact number of vehicles as result my deputy and my dear friend was martyred.

He added that those vehicles did not give us any sign to stop or to remain in our place in advance but suddenly they opened fire on us, when we kept going after the attack, we reached a check point and they told us that a convoy of American vehicles just passed and crossed the checkpoint.

Regarding this attack, Mala Mohamed Akrai, Head of Kurdistan Muslim Scholars Union, on his part he strongly condemned these blinded attacks and he called on the relevant authorities to take measure and look in to the incident for proper investigation. He added that early this morning some American Humvees opened fire on our friends' car when they headed to Erbil as result he was died.

Colonel Ferhad Karim Salim, Chief of Police Forces in Erbil announced that early this morning at 0900 am when a delegation from Kurdistan Muslim Scholars Union, Dhok Branch, left Dhok towards Erbil, they faced and met an American force near Bartala and Khazir, when they tried to pass the road they attacked by this American force there and as result one of them was killed and another one was wounded.

Peyamner News Agency - Kurdistan

Original Article Is in Kurdish

Albert  
ARSO - Kirkuk

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**From:** Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 8:32 PM  
**To:** Wittliff, H. Albert  
**Subject:** RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

that is good news for us anyway

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**From:** Wittliff, H. Albert  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 7:04 PM  
**To:** Sexton, Stephen M; Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)(APO); Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)  
**Cc:** Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Roger. This is a Sandy Group shoot.

The Deputy Minister was aware of who is the responsible party.

Albert  
ARSO - Kirkuk

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**From:** Sexton, Stephen M  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 5:29 PM  
**To:** Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)(APO); Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)  
**Cc:** Wittliff, H. Albert; Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Crowningshield, Rene (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Hold up gentlemen; this was not my team and I'd ask that we stand fast until we can get more information on this incident.

Word is that this shoot was the "Sandy Group" which is owned and operated by a Kurdish American.

Albert: Didn't the D/Min mention this to us in the meeting?

*Stephen M. Sexton*  
Regional Security Officer - Mosul, Iraq  
Special Agent - U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service  
(US-based number)

SBU-LAN: [redacted] b6

C-LAN: [redacted] b7c

This e-mail is UNCLASSIFIED based on the provisions found in E.O. 12958

**From:** Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)(APO)  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 4:57 PM  
**To:** Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)  
**Cc:** Sexton, Stephen M  
**Subject:** RE: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

I am forwarding to Steve Sexton. They did have an incident on the way to Erbil from Mosul this morning. I don't know if it is this one or not, though.

Brad

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bell, Richard K (Kirkuk)(Kirkuk)  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 08, 2006 4:50 PM  
**To:** Hudson, Clarence (TDY Mosul)(APO); Hohman, Jerome P (Mosul)(APO)  
**Cc:** Camp, Bradford (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)  
**Subject:** FW: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Clarence et al., in case you hadn't seen. This seems to be in your bailiwick.

Brad, pls share any info you pick up

Thanks

Rick

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From:

Sent: Sunday, January 08, 2006 4:17 PM

To: KIRKUK ALL POL-ECON DL

Subject: a Kurdish Clergyman was shot dead by Americans

Mala Mohamed Othman, Kurdistan Muslims scholars Association, Dhok Office Head was gunned down by American today on his way to Erbil

Kurdistan Muslims scholars Association strongly condemned this attack and they asked for immediate investigation!

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Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)

From: Sexton, Stephen M  
Sent: Monday, January 09, 2006 9:35 PM  
To: Hunter, Mark J (Baghdad); Wittliff, H. Albert  
Cc: Krajicek, John (Baghdad); Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad); Campbell, Ronald D (Mosul)  
Subject: 060109 - (SBU) Death of Kurdistan Muslim Scholars Union Deputy Head by WPPS PSD Team

## SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED

Mark,

I just returned from meeting with Brigadier General [redacted] (Deputy to General Turner, Task Force Band of Brothers CG), Col. [redacted] (172<sup>nd</sup> SBCT Brigade Commander), R/C Gettinger, and Deputy Team Leader Col. [redacted]. I laid out the incident and explained that the preliminary investigation by RSO Mosul and Kirkuk showed that the death of Mala Mohamed Othman Mzuri was a direct result of the escalation of force incident reported by RSO Mosul on 01/08. It was also explained, however, that the use of force, at this time, has been determined justified. Surprisingly all were very candid in saying that they fully agreed with the WPPS contractor's decision, but wanted to make sure we moved quickly to make this right.

- **01/11 MEETING WITH DAHUK GOVERNOR:** Gen. [redacted] is pushing help the Mission make this right with the respective Governor's of Dahuk and Erbil. The General has committed his air assets to transport Gen. [redacted], RC, DTL and RSO to Dahuk on **Wednesday, January 11, 2006 to meet with the Governor.** The following day (or so) Gen. [redacted] will also organize the same party to fly east to meet with the Governor of Erbil—naturally the Erbil trip will be **fully coordinated** with Regional Coordinator and RSO Kirkuk for a joint meeting.
- **RESTITUTION:** One issue I need Baghdad's assistance on quickly is the **amends payment.** I explained to Gen. [redacted] that the Embassy now has its own program in place to make compensation; he immediately asked me to **have the blood money ready to offer** when we go to the meeting on 01/11 in Dahuk. Is it possible to get a turnaround this quickly on something of this caliber? I have the original e-mail from HTO, which as far as I can tell, notes that we have to have the family fill out the forms (I am unable to open attachment on original email from Jeff). **Is this the only way we can make this happen, or given that the individual was who he was, can we expedite this?**
- **OUTSIDE INVESTIGATION:** I am pulling together all the information in anticipation of Matt's arrival tomorrow, which should allow him to come to his own conclusion after he conducts his own investigation and interviews (then help me with the impending ARB visit!).

Regards,

Steve

Stephen M. Sexton

Regional Security Officer - Mosul, Iraq

Special Agent - U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service

(US-based number)

1/9/2006



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Date: 11 January, 2006

Time: 11:15

Subj: Meeting with the Erbil Chief of Police, Major General Abdulla Mohammed Said Khilani, regarding the shooting death of Mullah MOHAMMED OTHMEN MIZARI.

**Preliminary facts provided by Major General Khilani:**

On 08 January, 2006, between the times of 0830 and 0840, a WHITE PAJERO was enroute to Erbil on the Mosul – Erbil road. This vehicle was carrying four passengers.

- 1) Driver – [REDACTED]
  - 2) Right Front – Mohammed Othmen Mizari (Deputy Mullah, Deceased)
  - 3) Back Seat – [REDACTED] (Chief of Mullah)
  - 4) Back Seat – Name Unknown
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Approximately one kilometer before the bridge in Khizr (sp) the white Pajaro (license # 45806, Dohok) attempted to pass a three vehicle convoy. This convoy consisted of [REDACTED]

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When the Pajero attempted to pass the convoy the follow vehicle fired over ten (10) rounds at the Pajero. Preliminary reports indicate that the Pajero sustained approximately ten (10) impacts during this shooting. The grill and hood absorbed most of the rounds, but two were said to have gone through the passenger side of the windshield, continuing through the body of Mullah Mizari. Slugs have yet to be recovered.

NOTE: *It is unclear at this time who exactly provided the description of the vehicles involved in the shooting. It is possible that this information was passed on by a checkpoint guard further down the highway who did not witness the shooting, but that did report that an "American" convoy passed his position shortly following the shooting.*

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Due to the local holiday witnesses were not interviewed by local police, and little information was made available. The Erbil Chief of Police, as well as the Lead Investigator, Police Chief Talib, requested to meet on 15 January 2006. At this time a complete file will be turned over. This file is to include photos, physical evidence, interviews with witnesses, and a complete police report.

Michael L. Cygrymus  
Special Agent  
Diplomatic Security Service  
Erbil, Iraq

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Time	Event	Initials
0811	limo bft	rgg
0815	limo HF com check	rgg
0815	lead cav bft	rgg
0818	cav	rgg
0818	notified baghdad toc of bft numbers	rgg
0820	limo 2 bft and comm check	rgg
0821	attachment with army bft	rgg
0838	launch	rgg
0839		rgg
0840		rgg
0841		rgg
0842	exit on canal road	rgg
0846		rgg
0848	landing prov hall	rgg
0848	landning counsel hall	rgg
0937	SITREP AIO	awr
1004	landed 1-west venue 1	awr
1042	SITREP AIO	awr
1046	SITREP AIO	awr
1139	regroup	awr
1213	10 min WARNO	awr
1236	still waithing to roll	awr
1241	launch from venue	awr
1243		awr
1245	pick up 2 pax 1-West	awr
1246		awr
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1250		awr
1253		awr
1254		awr
1255		awr
1256	landing FOB Courage	awr

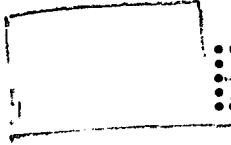
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935 TOC stood up [REDACTED] awr  
 936 telephonic check with 172nd DSN line [REDACTED] awr  
 940 Lead CAV ratio check BFT [REDACTED] awr  
 942 Follow CAV ratio check HF [REDACTED] awr  
 955 unable to make telep. contact w/ Baghdad talk ref. BFT [REDACTED] awr  
 1001 launch [REDACTED] awr  
 1003 [REDACTED] awr  
 1005 [REDACTED] awr  
 1006 [REDACTED] awr  
 1007 BFT num via email to Baghdad talk [REDACTED] awr  
 1008 just north of check point heading north [REDACTED] awr  
 1010 right sweeper [REDACTED] awr  
 1025 transmission problems Follow CAV [REDACTED] awr  
 1027 picked up 2 PAX from MAF [REDACTED] awr  
 1036 element RTB engine trouble change out veh. South on [REDACTED] awr  
 1040 request [REDACTED] copies direct [REDACTED] awr  
 1042 at [REDACTED] heading South [REDACTED] awr  
 1047 at [REDACTED] heading South [REDACTED] awr  
 1050 500m north of [REDACTED] awr  
 1052 [REDACTED] awr  
 1053 [REDACTED] awr  
 1055 counterflow 500m North of [REDACTED] awr  
 1056 [REDACTED] awr  
 1057 landing [REDACTED] awr  
 802 LAUNCH [REDACTED] burning [REDACTED] MA  
 805 [REDACTED] MA  
 806 Heavy traffic/ stopped motorcade [REDACTED] MA  
 counterflowing [REDACTED]  
 810 crossing over to counterflow [REDACTED] MA  
 811 Heavy traffic/ stopped motorcade [REDACTED] MA  
 812 At canal bridge-heavy traffic [REDACTED] MA  
 813 [REDACTED] into [REDACTED] [REDACTED] MA  
 815 on canal rd off of [REDACTED] MA  
 823 out of [REDACTED] E on [REDACTED] MA  
 827 heavy traffic [REDACTED] MA  
 831 [REDACTED] MA  
 835 city limits on [REDACTED] standing down QRF [REDACTED] MA  
 842 [REDACTED] MA  
 857 NO CASUALTIES- [REDACTED] MA  
 reported to Battle Capt.- [REDACTED]  
 909 [REDACTED] to courthouse [REDACTED] MA  
 1144 [REDACTED] has landing [REDACTED] RLM  
 1250 Relay for [REDACTED] will be on venue for longer than planned [REDACTED] RLM  
 1557 4km W of [REDACTED] MA  
 1604 [REDACTED] ? Coming in weak [REDACTED] MA  
 1611 Entering city- poor VHF comms- standing up QRF [REDACTED] MA  
 1619 R turn into [REDACTED] -VHF broken and un readable [REDACTED] MA  
 1621 Crossing [REDACTED] /L u-turn into [REDACTED] MA  
 Canal Rd [REDACTED] MA  
 ON [REDACTED] MA  
 [REDACTED] MA

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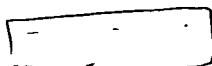
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R: ANOTHER VEHICLE HAD PULLED OVER, W/ FLASHES,  
SUSP. VEHICLE WOULD HAVE HAD TO ~~ASS~~

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1. - ONT BOUND  
- NO KURDISH CHECKPOINT  
BETWEEN FOB COURAGE,  
INCIDENT SCENE

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THAT DAY, HAD RESPONSE TO BOTH

D: - BASED ON US ARMY  
RATINGS, RANK AS MEDIUM  
ALL THE WAY TO IABIL

D: - LOW RATING COMES ~~NEAR~~  
AFTER CROSSING FINX  
BRIDGE TO IABIL

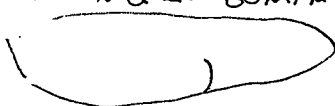
### Communication

D: AFTER HEARING ROWDS, HE DETERMINES  
OUTBOUND/INBOUND

R: COMMUNICATING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE  
AFTER SHOTS TAKEN

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3: - MOVING AT 60 MPH



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2: TIMES TO ACCURATE

WHY IS DISTANCE IMPORTANT?

R: ONE REASON IS THREAT  
OF SVBIERS, WHICH  
CAN APPROACH FROM  
ANY DIRECTION

D: PEN FLARE:  
BRIGHT ORANGE  
PIREBALL, MAKES  
NOISE

- 50 M IS <sup>ALMOST</sup> TOO CLOSE



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### ROAD CONDITIONS

D: OVERCAST, LIGHT DARTZLE, 2-3 KM VIS



R: WASN'T RAINING AT THE TIME,  
COULD SEE EASILY FROM 300M  
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R: LAST QUAL WAS 3 MOS AGO,  
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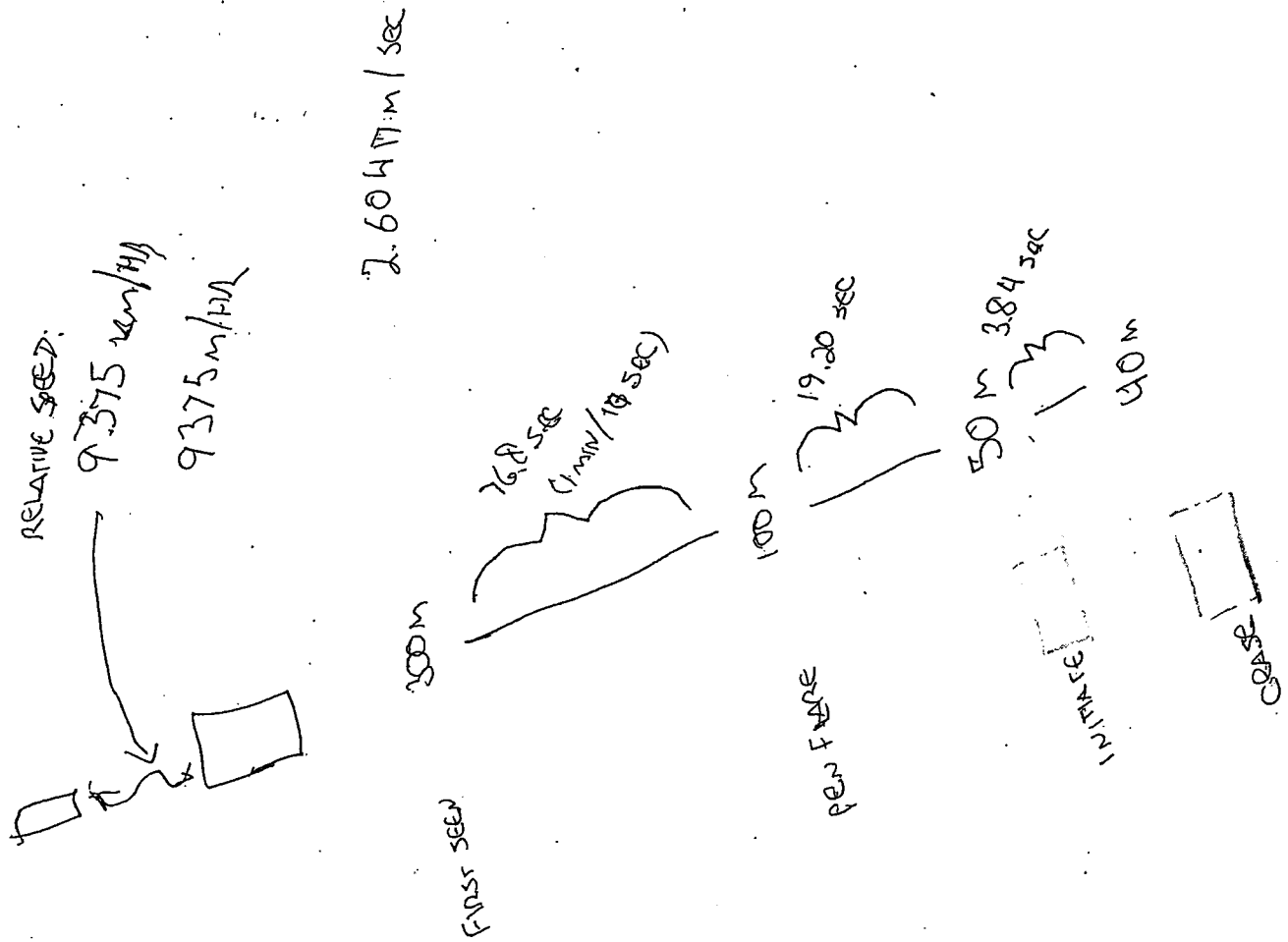
D: AT THIS POINT, IRAQIS  
ARE SO USED TO FSD  
OPERATIONS THAT ALL  
BYSTANDERS PULL OFF  
W/ HAZARD LIGHTS; VEHICLES  
SPEEDING W/ ALE SO  
ANOMALOUS AS TO DRAW  
IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

D: TWO WEEKS PRIOR, RAN  PRACTICE b2  
(100 RDS STATIC, ALSO W/ MOVING VEHICLE)  
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Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)

From: Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad)  
Sent: Tuesday, December 13, 2005 1:37 PM  
To: Sexton, Stephen M; Campbell, Ronald D (Mosul); Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad); Krajicek, John (Baghdad); Hiemstra, Jan (Baghdad); Pryer, Christopher E (Baghdad); Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk); Wittliff, H. Albert; Sisbarro, Kevin M (Al Hillah RSO); Hill, Anthony J (Al Hillah A/RSO); Wray, Ivan A (Basrah); Wint, Marc E (Basrah); Bailey, Lance M (DS/IP/NEA); McDermott, James P (DS/IP/NEA); Piry, Frederic M (DS/IP/OPO/HTP); Nassen, Paul (DS/IP/OPO/HTP)  
Cc: Myers, Jon R (Baghdad)  
Subject: FW:

Gents: Attached is the explanation of the State Department's compensation program and forms for Iraqis to complete when they claim our PSDs shot at them, injured them or, when they are involved in an traffic accidents. We are going to distribute them in Baghdad to the Iraqi Police stations via our INL CIVPOL contacts. I am trying to get CIVPOL to do the same in your cities, but it may take some time. For now, at least you have explanation of the program and the forms in the case someone makes a claim. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Burton, Matthew D (Baghdad)  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2005 4:55 PM  
To: Hunter, Mark J (Baghdad); Engle, Gregory W (Baghdad); Young, Mark X (Baghdad); Myers, Jon R (Baghdad); Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Mauren, Fred J (Baghdad)  
Cc: Deeks, Ashley S (Baghdad)  
Subject:

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Attached is a dual-language claims form, the program description in English and the program description in Arabic. I don't know if want to have an official seal on the document or not. If so, I'm at a loss as to how to do it, and would probably need someone else's assistance. If everyone is happy with these two documents, it looks like we are good to go - RSO (Jeff) can send the two documents to his CIVPOL contacts, and down to Hillah (and other REOs) to conform the current claim to our new process.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Matt

Matthew Burton  
Deputy Legal Adviser  
Office of the Legal Adviser  
U.S. Embassy Annex  
Baghdad, Iraq  
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident

14 Jan 06

Time of Incident

1140

## Type of Incident

(i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)

Use of Deadly Force by U.S. Army against Blackwater PSD Tikrit

## Location of Incident

(Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)

On route [ ] at FOB Speicher turn off.

## Description of Incident

(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)

At roughly 1135, the Blackwater PSD- Tikrit motorcade departed FOB Speicher, with Principal, en route to the Provincial Center. We turned right out of the FOB and headed south towards the Northern Bypass. While approaching the Iraqi Police (IP) Checkpoint, we were informed that the venue was cancelled due to an Islamic holiday. The motorcade slowed, and conducted a U-turn immediately in front of the IP Checkpoint. As we completed the U-turn, and began traveling north towards the FOB, I observed a large truck. Initially I began to wave it back with my hand. Upon realizing that it was a military vehicle, I ceased waving, and resumed security for the rear of the motorcade. As we traveled north down MSR [ ] I noticed what appeared to be a FOX type vehicle passing the military truck on its left side in the median. I then displayed the VS-17 panel with US Flag out the rear window of the follow vehicle. As the FOX type vehicle continued to approach the motorcade, I again displayed the VS-17 panel out the rear window. As I was waving the VS-17 panel, I observed what I initially believed to be a pen flare strike the road surface and skip across the road towards the motorcade, later I would realize that it was actually tracer rounds being fired. I informed [ ] Shift Leader, that a pen flare had been fired. As we began to pull off to the left shoulder, the FOX type vehicle accelerated, and the gunner in the turret began firing 5.56mm rounds from what appeared to be an M4. This initial volley of rounds began impacting the rear cargo area (Well area) of the Suburban in which I was sitting. I then pulled my arm and the VS-17 panel back in the window. The FOX type vehicle again accelerated and began firing rounds into the left rear quarter panel area. I heard multiple rounds impacting, and observed a round impact the armored glass immediately to my right. The FOX type vehicle continued down the left side of our Suburban out of my sight, however, I continued to hear several more rounds being fired and impacting our vehicle. I heard the driver of our vehicle, [ ] state that our vehicle was disabled, at which time [ ] got on the radio and advised the motorcade Lead and Limo that we were taking Blue on Blue fire, and that we were disabled. [ ] asked for a casualty report within the vehicle, and then deployed himself and our EMT, [ ] to stop traffic in both the north and south lanes. Shortly thereafter, the motorcade Lead returned from dropping off the Principal, and our Follow vehicle was then towed back onto FOB Speicher. No injuries were reported in our vehicle. At no time were any rounds or pen flares fired at the military convoy, the FOX type vehicle, or any military personnel. The round that was fired into the window to my right was not meant as a disabling shot, but was intentionally fired at me. No aggressive action was taken by any part of the Blackwater PSD - Tikrit motorcade.

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## Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

A VS-17 panel with US flag was displayed out the rear window of the Follow Suburban twice. As previously stated, no rounds or pen flare were deployed.

## Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e.

Notify Department of State

further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Operator(s)  
Involved

Vehicle(s)  
Involved

Team(s)  
Involved

Tikrit SET Team

Well Gunner, Tikrit SET Team  
DSS Iraq Mission

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident

14 Jan 06

Time of Incident 11:140

**Type of Incident**

(i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)

Use of Deadly Force by U.S. Army against Blackwater PSD Tikrit

**Location of Incident**

(Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)

On route [redacted] at FOB Speicher turn off.

**Description of Incident**

(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)

The Blackwater SET PSD team was in route to the Provisional Center when the Advance called me [redacted] (SL) via cell phone, informing us that the venue was locked and no one was there on account of the religious holiday. The Motorcade performed a proper "Y" turn and proceeded to cross the median into the North bound lane. At the time that we crossed there was a Military convoy traveling in the same direction. There was a large gap in the convoy, enough for the whole motorcade to travel together. The soldier in the turret in front of us acknowledged us as Americans and made no attempt to wave us off. As we approached the turn off to FOB Speicher the Lead called out "Traffic is holding south bound" as that call was made the follow vehicle well [redacted] informed me that what appeared to be a U.S. Army FOX vehicle was approaching at a high rate of speed, and [redacted] had the orange VS-17 panel waving it out the back window. At that time the drive pulled over to let the vehicle pass. The "up gunner" in the vehicle shot the follow vehicle with two rounds just beneath the Well gunner window. The Driver of the vehicle swerved off the left side of the road so the gunner could aim in on the driver. The Gunner shot the follow vehicle ten (10) times. We assumed that the driver would see that we were Americans and stop shooting. [redacted] placed both hands on the window and made our IDs visible with another VS-17 panel. At that time the up gunner shot the engine block and the radiator with two(2) more rounds. At that time the follow vehicle's engine ceased up and I called to the lead vehicle, informing them of our situation and they needed to return to our location as soon and the Limo was safe on the FOB. I deployed all personnel of the follow vehicle on security while the driver prepped the tow strap in preparation of the lead to return. The left rear position [redacted] deployed with the [redacted] to stop south bound traffic, and [redacted] remained in the well of the vehicle to maintain security on the north bound traffic. The lead returned to our location and the tow strap was immediately attached in less that five minutes from the shooting we were back on the FOB. It was clear to see that we were posing NO threat to anyone and were acknowledged by the convoy, as a matter of fact two of our vehicle had already made the turn into FOB Speicher's first checkpoint before they started shooting. The placement of the rounds was clearly the misuse of deadly force and an utter violation of rules of engagement. Multiple visual signs were given, and there was not even a weapon pointed at the convoy. The impacts of the rounds are documented in this folder. Two(2) shots to the Armor just below the well gunner window, one (1) shot to the upper right body of the vehicle, two (2) shots to the left rear fender, one(1) to the left rear tire, two(2) shots to the left rear window, one(1) shot to the engine block and one to the radiator. All personnel in the follow vehicle escaped without injury and without engaging the Army.

**Action Taken**

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

VS 17 panels displayed twice, Identification was displayed, our vehicle was shot ten(10) times, security was set, toe strap deployed, and follow vehicle of motorcade SET was turned over to RBR to see if it can be repaired.

**Follow-Up Required**

Notify Department of State

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(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Operator(s)  
Involved

Vehicle(s)  
Involved

Team(s)  
Involved

Tikrit SET Team

DSS Iraq Mission

Tikrit SET Team

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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<b>Date of Incident</b>	14 Jan 06	<b>Time of Incident</b>	1:140
<b>Type of Incident</b> (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Use of Deadly Force by U.S. Army against Blackwater PSD Tikrit		
<b>Location of Incident</b> (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, and coordinates if known, etc.)	On route [ ] at FOB Speicher turn off.		
<b>Description of Incident</b> (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>The Blackwater SET PSD team was in route to the Provisional Center when the Advance called via cell phone, informing us that the venue was locked and no one was there on account of the religious holiday. The Motorcade performed a "Y" turn right past the first IP check point on our route and proceeded to cross the median into the North bound lane. At the time we crossed there was a Military convoy traveling in the same direction. There was a large gap in the convoy, enough for the motorcade to travel together. The soldier in the turret in front of us acknowledged us as Americans and did not wave us off. As we approached the turn off to FOB Speicher in a car motorcade containing [ ] black suburbans our well gunner [ ] said we had a fast moving army vehicle coming up on our rear and [ ] had the orange VS-17 panel waving it out the back window At that time the driver myself [ ] pulled over to let the vehicle pass. The "up gunner" in the vehicle began firing on us Thinking that the driver would see that we were Americans and stop shooting but he did not, he continued to shoot at us as they past us I placed both hands on the window and made our IDs visible with another VS-17 panel. At that time the up gunner shot the engine block and the radiator with two(2) more rounds. At that time the follow vehicle went down I informed my shift leader our vehicle was down and he called to the lead vehicle, informing them of our situation and they needed to return to our location as soon as the Limo was safe. The follow vehicle personnel deployed and provided security while I prepped the tow strap in preparation of the lead to return. The lead returned to our location and the tow strap was immediately attached and within about 5 min we were safely back. It was obvious who we where and what we were doing we were posing NO threat to anyone and were acknowledged by the convoy, The placement of the rounds was clearly the misuse of deadly force the rounds shot at us were meant to kill. The impacts of the rounds are documented in this folder. Two(2) shots to the Armor just below the well gunner window, one (1) shot to the upper right body of the vehicle, two (2) shots to the left rear fender, one(1) to the left rear tire, two(2) shots to the left rear window, one(1) shot to the engine block and one to the radiator.</p>		
<b>Action Taken</b> (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)	VS 17 panels displayed twice, Identification was displayed, our vehicle was shot ten(10) times, security was set, toe strap deployed, and follow vehicle of motorcade SET was turned over to KBR to see if it can be repaired.		
<b>Follow-Up Required</b> (Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	Notify Department of State		

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<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>	[ ]	<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>	[ ]	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>	Tikrit SET Team
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident

14 Jan 06

Time of Incident

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## Type of Incident

(i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)

Shots fired by U.S. Army Convoy on Department of State PSD Motorcade with Principals (s) on board

## Location of Incident

(Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)

On NB route of [redacted] 50 meters from FOB Speicher turn off.

## Description of Incident

(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)

The Blackwater SET PSD team assigned to the Department of State was in route to the Provisional Center when the Advance Team notified SL - [redacted] via cell phone, informing the SL that the venue was locked and no one was there on account of the religious holiday. At which time, the SL called the cancel code, the motorcade performed a "Y" turn and then proceeded to cross the median into the North bound lane.

Upon crossing into the Northbound Lane there was a Military convoy traveling in the same direction. My position was the left rear behind the driver, So my view is concentrated on the left side of the vehicle and I could speak to the well-gunner [redacted] who was then advised by SL to display VS-17 Panel so that approaching Coalition Forces could see that we were Americans. At this point we've already been traveling almost 1.5 miles with the convoy and were preparing to make a left turn onto the FOB. Standard PSD motorcade vehicle placement while with a Principle (2) was initiated during the movement.

Detail vehicles were [redacted] up-armored suburban's in which I along with my team members operated the follow vehicle. Approx. 50 meters or so from the turn off onto FOB Speicher, I heard what I thought was popping, then I heard 2-3 distinct sounds that I knew was gunfire. At which time the Well Man [redacted] advised that we were taking PIN Rounds then corrected and advised that they (Army) was shooting at us. [redacted] continued to try and display the orange VS-17 panel as shots were being fired, The vehicle was described as a FOX vehicle, at which time 2-3 additional rounds went into the left side of the vehicle taking out the safety glass and entering the side panel of the vehicle.

The Driver of the Fox vehicle proceeded to the left of the follow vehicle and the gunner shot the follow vehicle's left rear tire out and as they passed put 2 more rounds in the hood disabling the vehicle. The (SL) called to the LIMO who had hurried onto the FOB to advise that we were down, I asked everyone if they were ok. The SL advised that we were going to need to be strapped towed and the lead vehicle needed to return once the Limo was safe.

I exited the vehicle with the [redacted] and established security in the NB lane holding all traffic going SB, While SL had contained all NB traffic, while the lead vehicle strapped to the follow vehicle to tow it onto FOB Speicher. Once the vehicle was strapped we returned to the FOB to evaluate the damage. DL present upon arrival to camp, advised that Incident report needed to be submitted.

## Actions

Quick Primary Assessment completed on all team members which consisted of verbal acknowledgment of self condition. Exited vehicle and established Security, until vehicle was ready for tow.

## Follow-Up Required

Notify Department of State

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(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Operator(s)  
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Vehicle(s)  
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Team(s)  
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Tikrit SET Team

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From: [REDACTED] CPT 3BCT S3 BTL CPT [REDACTED]  
 Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2006 1:46 PM  
 To: [REDACTED] MAJ 101 AA MAIN DIV 3CT LNO  
 Subject: FW: SIGACT Report  
 Importance: High  
 Categories: UNCLASSIFIED  
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CPT [REDACTED] Day  
 CPT [REDACTED] Night

From: [REDACTED] CPT 3BCT 445CA B Co OPS OIC  
 Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2006 1:10 PM  
 To: [REDACTED] CPT 3BCT S3 BTL CPT  
 Subject: SIGACT Report  
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Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

CPT [REDACTED] I'm the eye witness and wanted to submit this as a SIGACT. Do with it what you will.

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Who: State Dept. PSD, IRMO (Iraqi Reconstruction Management Office) Coordinator, CPT [REDACTED]  
 What: Took small arms fire from coalition CLP. Rounds impacted at least 2 out of 3 Blackwater SUV's.  
 When: Approximately 141200JAN05  
 Where: On MSR [REDACTED], vicinity the Speicher Road intersection. Northbound Lane.

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Editorial: Myself and the IRMO, State Dept coordinator were traveling to a meeting in Tikrit. Method of travel was Blackwater convoy with [REDACTED] SUV's (all looked to be Suburban's). We made it to the IP Checkpoint (arch way) and were notified by radio that the meeting was cancelled. The Blackwater PSD then turned the movement around and entered the Northbound lane of [REDACTED]. Apparently we entered a coalition CLP. Vicinity the turnoff for Speicher, I heard small arms fire, approx 6-8 rounds. As we turned towards Speicher, one of the SUV's was obviously immobilized. The driver of our SUV stated that they took rounds apparently either to the tires or the hood of the vehicle. He stated that we apparently took a round or two to our SUV also. As we made the turn, I saw the vehicle that fired the shot. It was similar to the FOX recon vehicle but only had 4 wheels. The gunner in the turret had his M4/M16 in his hands as they continued North.

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Blackwater is supposed to do a formal report and should forward it to me.

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

Date of Incident	15 JAN 2006	Time of Incident	0832
Type of Incident	Use of Lethal Force		
Location of Incident	Location of shooting incident was approximately 1 kilometer southeast from _____ on Palestine Road.		
Description of Incident	Security Advance mission in support of IRMO office (Team 10), _____ was traveling on a southeast direction along Palestine Road, traffic became congested about 1km southeast from _____ the command was given to create a security posture traveling bubble (50 meters clearance from Lead vehicle and 100 meters from follow) all traffic adhere to our security posture except for a Burgundy four door Cadillac, this vehicle started approaching our motorcade, all necessary signals were given to the foreign national driver to stop; but ignored the visual hand signals of the Well gunner and right/rear gunner of the lead vehicle which in turn fire three rounds into the grill of the Burgundy Cadillac which quickly disable the vehicle into a complete stop, there was no injuries to fellow team members or the foreign national. The right rear gunner (Lead vehicle) made the determination to shoot based that he felt threatened by the offensive driving actions of the foreign national.		
Action Taken	Three rounds were fire from the _____ rifle of the right/rear gunner of the lead vehicle into the front grill of a four door Burgundy Cadillac which disable the vehicle.		
Follow-Up Required	Department of State Regional Security Office conducted an investigation that involved the shooter and witnesses from the Limo _____ and the Follow, which included the Shift Leader and the Well Gunner.		

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Operator(s) Involved	_____	Vehicle(s) Involved	_____	Lead #	_____	Team(s) Involved	_____
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Sworn Statement

Date	JAN 15 2005	Time	0832
Location			
Palestine Rd.			

I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of Jose Majano Team, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

At 0832 1km SE from [redacted] on Palestine RD. I was serving at the rear well position when a red sudan carrying one passager moved past our motorcade ignoring all verbal and nonverbal commands to stop. My position was out of safe firing position therefore the car was immediately stopped by shots fired into the engine by a member of the middle vehicle.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	[Signature]	b6 b7c
Printed	[Redacted]	
Address	R50 - BAGHDAD	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15 day of JAN, 20 06.

Signed	[Signature]
Printed	JOHN KRAJICEK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature
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## Sworn Statement

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Location Palistine Rd			

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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of R50, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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While in support of [redacted] in route to the Ministry Of Oil on the 15<sup>th</sup> of Jan 2006, I [redacted] fired 3 shots into the grill of a vehicle. The motorcade had stopped in the vicinity of 1 km SE of [redacted] and formed a bubble around the vehicle by keeping a distance of 50 to 100 Meters in the rear of the motorcade and 50 in the front. I was sitting in the left rear of the lead vehicle when a burgundy four door Cadillac approached the motorcade from the right side. I opened my door and began to give the proper verbal and hand signals to no avail, at this time I feared for the safety of the team as well as my own. I then took 3 shots into the front of the vehicle, at this time the vehicle came to a stop. There appeared to be no injuries and only damage to the vehicle. At this time the motorcade was able to continue on to the venue. <sup>b2</sup>

END OF STATEMENT

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	[Redacted]	b6 b7c
Printed	[Redacted]	
Address	WPPS Man Camp [Redacted]	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15 day of Jan 2006

Signed	[Signature]
Printed	Joan Kravicec

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Sworn Statement

Date	15 January 2006	Time	1507
Location			

I, [redacted], hereby make the following statement at the request of RSO, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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I, [redacted] was sitting behind the driver on the advance movement when the incident occurred. While en route to the venue (Ministry of Oil) [redacted] who was on the right rear detected a dark colored Cadillac approaching our movement to the left at a high rate of speed and immediately informed me. Fearing for the safety of myself and that of my team, I reacted and open the door to engage the target vehicle, but about the same time as I open my door the lead vehicle/team 20 fired a two to three round burst into the grill of the Cadillac. The shots effectively disabled the Cadillac and its forward movement ceased. I observed the driver of the Cadillac dismount his vehicle with no injuries to his person.

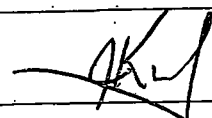
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 20 06.

Signed	
Printed	JOHN KRAICIK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Date 15 JAN 06	Time 1500 HRS
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I, [redacted] b6 b7c, hereby make the following statement at the request of [redacted] b6 b7c, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

#### INCIDENT:

On 15 January 2006 I was assigned to Blackwater Team [redacted] and was in support of Team [redacted]. We were in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade in route to conduct an advance at the Ministry of Oil. I was in the [redacted] vehicle sitting in the right rear position. b2

#### OBSERVATIONS/ACTIONS:

We had just stopped moving due to traffic in front of us. I observed the follow vehicle move to a right off side position of our vehicle. At that point I observed a large brown passenger vehicle come around the left side of the follow. It was accelerating and was not stopping as all the other traffic. I felt this was an overt act by the driver of this vehicle and I perceived it as a threat.

I told [redacted] b6 b7c, who was sitting next to me in the rear left position, to stop the vehicle. He then started to open his door when I heard three gun shots just as the vehicle was between our vehicle and the follow vehicle. The gun shots came from the lead vehicle of our motorcade. The driver of the brown vehicle then stopped next to our vehicle. I then could not see what the driver did after that.

We then resumed a forward motion and I noticed that the driver was out of his vehicle and standing on the driver's side of it. He appeared to be OK and not injured. I did not see any one else in the vehicle.

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Blackwater IC  
Team [redacted] b6 b7c b2

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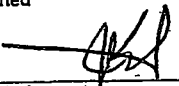
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15 day of  
JANUARY, 2006.

Signed	
Printed	JOHN KRAJCEK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** David T. Rogers [mailto: ]

**Sent:** Sunday, January 15, 2006 8:07 PM

**To:** Lischke, Jeff D (Baghdad); Wommack, William G (Baghdad); Victor Esposito; Danielle Morrison; Matthew Stuckart; Tony Valusek; Randy Leonard; Danny Carroll

**Subject:** Fwd: [ ] Incident Report and Statements

To all,

Today at approximately 0832 hrs Advance Team [ ] was traveling southbound on Palestine Rd [ ]. The motorcade slowed due to traffic and all vehicles behind the motorcade stopped except for a Cadillac that continued toward the motorcade. The vehicle in question approached the motorcade from an angle and was headed for the space between the limo and the lead. The occupants of the lead and limo on the left side of the motorcade used all available means to signal the vehicle to stop. The vehicle ignored all signals and continued toward the motorcade. The left rear gunner of the lead vehicle, [ ] had no other option so he fired three rounds from his issued [ ] rifle using authorized [ ] ammunition into the grill area of the suspect vehicle. The vehicle immediately stopped and the single male occupant appeared to be unharmed.

The other members of the vehicle included:

Driver- [ ]

TC- [ ]

Right Rear- [ ]

Well Gunner- [ ]

The SL verified the reports.

If you need any additional information please let me know.

V/R,

Dave

Note: forwarded message attached.

David T. Rogers  
Project Manager  
Baghdad, Iraq  
Ph# 914-822-5628

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	15Jan06	Time of Incident	0835
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Type of Incident	Use of disabling force
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Location of Incident	Southbound Route [ ] south of Dam Rd.
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Description of Incident	<p>On Jan. 15, 2006, I, [ ], a certified private security contractor was assigned to the rear observer position in the Counter Assault Vehicle (CAV) which was the [ ] vehicle in the motorcade. At approximately 0835 hrs. the motorcade was southbound on Route [ ] approximately 2 Km south of Dam Rd. While we were southbound I observed a white four door sedan fast approaching our vehicle. When the fast approaching vehicle was about 100 yards away, I announced that there was a fast approaching vehicle from our six at about 100 yards away. I was already flashing the surefire flashlight that was attached to the side of my DSS issued [ ] trying to get the drivers attention. I heard responses from our right and left observers and they deployed at that time. We had our emergency flashers on and we have a VS17 panel secured to the rear of the Counter Assault Vehicle to slow approaching vehicles, but this had no effect on the fast approaching vehicle. When the fast approaching sedan was approximately 50-60 yards away, I deployed a pen flare and announced that fact to the door gunners. I then announced to the left and right observers that the sedan was still approaching at a high rate of speed. Our past intelligence briefs have stated that insurgents use vehicle born improvised explosive devices (VBIED) to drive into the rear of their targets and detonate. I believed the sedan fast approaching us was in fact a VBIED. I feared for my safety as well as the safety of my teammates. I then charged my DSS issued [ ] and fired a five round burst into the front grill area of the fast approaching white sedan. The white sedan kept approaching at a high rate of speed. I then fired a five round burst into the hood and windshield area of the fast approaching white sedan. The white sedan immediately slowed and swerved to his right, at approximately 20 yards from our vehicle. I did not see any further reason to continue firing. As the motorcade continued southbound I saw the driver of the vehicle exit his vehicle and walk away.</p>
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Action Taken	I, [ ] a certified private security contractor, had to use disabling force in attempt to stop a white four door sedan that was rapidly approaching our motorcade with a DSS issued [ ]
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Follow-Up Required	
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Operator(s) Involved	[ ]	Vehicle(s) Involved	White four door sedan; Counter Assault Vehicle	Team(s) Involved	USAID PRS Team
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## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY



USAID Compound - Erbil

15 January 2006



Spot Report - 011506-02

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** USAID Compound - Erbil

**Summary:** At approximately 0932 hours on 15 January 2006, a COM PSD Team, based at USAID Erbil, was en route from the Kirkuk REO to the USAID Compound in Erbil. The motorcade was stationary due to heavy traffic congestion when the Right Rear gunner in the Counter Assault Team (CAT) vehicle observed a blue pickup truck, occupied by one male driver, moving around stopped traffic and approaching the stationary motorcade. As the vehicle closed, PSD members gave hand and verbal signals in attempts to get the driver to back off, but the signals were ignored. When the vehicle closed to within 20 meters of the motorcade, the Right Rear gunner in the CAT vehicle fired three rounds from his [redacted] rifle into the grill. The vehicle immediately stopped then went in reverse to get out of the area. There appeared to be no injuries to the driver. The motorcade continued to destination without further incident. No COM personnel were injured during the incident. b2

**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed by ARSO**Location:** Vicinity of Erbil, Iraq

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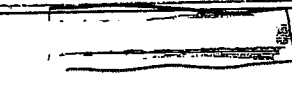
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Date of Incident	2006 Jan 15	Time of Incident	1250
Type of Incident	Use of Non-Lethal Force on an aggressive vehicle		
Location of Incident	Tikrit, Iraq		
Description of Incident	During our movement to PJCC as part of the advance team, we were returning to regular flow from counter flow; the traffic had stopped to let us through when a blue van sped through the traffic, getting in front of the stopped traffic and commenced to close in on our vehicle. At 100 yards I gave the driver the Arabic hand gesture to stop but he only increased his speed, then I proceeded to alert our vehicle that we had a fast mover closing in on us.		
Action Taken	The blue van reached within 75 yards from our vehicle when I aimed my on the vehicle's grill and fired 3 single shots, which forced the vehicle to stall and stop. No more shots were fired.		
Follow-Up Required	Notify Department of State		

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Operator(s) Involved		Vehicle(s) Involved	Vehicle #	Team(s) Involved	Tikrit Team
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Well gunner, Tikrit Team  
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	15 Jan 2006	Time of Incident	1250
Type of Incident	Use of Non-Lethal Force on an aggressive vehicle.		
Location of Incident	Tikrit, Iraq at approximately _____ route,		
Description of Incident	<p>On 15 Jan 06 the advance for the Tikrit PSD departed FOB Speicher at 1230. We were stopped just about 2 kilometers outside the main entrance by an Army convoy that was inspecting a possible IED. They informed us that the route we were about to take was now closed. At that point we took and alternate route into Tikrit. At the Northern bypass going into Tikrit at grid: _____ we began to go counter flow into the city when we noticed 2 vehicles on the off ramp approaching our convoy. They recognizing our presence and stopped. At that point a blue van came from behind both vehicles and proceeded towards our convoy at a high rate of speed. The blue van quickly closed the gap between our convoy and himself to a distance of less than 100 meters. My rear gunner opened the door and gave the driver of the van the hand arm signal to slow down or stop. The driver ignored the visual arm signal and continued to advance towards our convoy very quickly. The rear gunner then fires 3 shots into the grill area of the vehicle and the driver then stopped at that point. We then proceeded to our venue with out further delay.</p>		
Action Taken	Rear gunner gave hand and arm signal then engaged with _____		
Follow-Up Required	Notify Department of State		

Operator(s) Involved	(Last, First) SL Gunner Adv b6 b7c	Vehicle(s) Involved	Vehicle # Follow Advance vehicle	Team(s) Involved	Tikrit Team
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Advance SL, Tikrit Team  
DSS Iraq Mission

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	16 Jan. 2006	Time of Incident	09:13 AM
Use of Lethal Force		200 Meters NE	
Describe in detail the nature of the incident and the actions of the personnel involved, including the use of lethal force, if any. Include the names of the personnel involved, the names of the vehicles involved, the names of the weapons involved, the names of the agencies involved, etc.		<p>On 16 January 2006 at around 09:13 AM, [redacted] was in support of [redacted] as the on site Advance Team for the Ministry of Oil. [redacted] was in a car motorcade utilizing the [redacted] route. The [redacted] route was taken due to the incident that occurred outside Checkpoint [redacted] prior to our departure. Our motorcade departed Checkpoint [redacted] and proceeded along our [redacted] route. Heavy traffic was encountered along our route. We had passed [redacted] and were about 200 meters Northeast of that location when the motorcade slowed. Due to the heavy volume of traffic, which stopped our motorcade, a protective bubble was established to protect the motorcade. Vehicle traffic was stopped to our rear and we had a good standoff distance between the lead vehicle and traffic located at the front. The traffic was stopped to our rear and was about 75 to 100 meters away from the rear of the Fighting Follow Vehicle. A blue in color flatbed Bongo truck occupied by two Iraqi males came around the left side of the stopped vehicles. The driver also ignored an Iraqi IP and proceeded at a high rate of speed in the direction of our motorcade. The Right Rear Gunner, identified as [redacted] cracked his door and gave both verbal/hand and arm signals. The Well Gunner identified as [redacted] also gave both verbal/hand and arm signals through the well gunner slot. The Fighting Follow Vehicle was parked at a slant that gave both the Well Gunner and Right Rear Gunner a good view of the suspect vehicle. The Right Rear Gunner, [redacted] was in direct line and had a better view of the vehicle. The vehicle continued in our direction and failed to obey both verbal and visible signals given by Right Rear Gunner and Well Gunner. [redacted] did feel threatened by the aggressive moves displayed by the local vehicle. Its actions were consistent with other suicide VBIED's and this area did have a credible threat of VBIEDs. When the vehicle failed to obey the local Iraqi IP, his suspicion that the vehicle was a threat was increased. The Right Rear Gunner did fear for his safety and the safety of the motorcade and fellow teammates. He felt that the vehicle presented as a VBIED and that he was in fear for his life. The vehicle driver failed to obey the commands given by an Iraqi IP to stop and also the commands given by the Right Rear and Well Gunner of the fighting follow.</p> <p>[redacted] then fired two rounds into the grill of the truck. The rounds were observed striking the grill of the truck by him. The weapon that was used was his issued [redacted]. The vehicle immediately stopped. As soon as the vehicle stopped, the Iraqi driver attempted to get out but was stopped by the Iraqi IP. The driver then stayed in his truck and both Iraqi males raised their hands up. It appeared that there were no injuries to the occupants of the vehicle. The vehicle was engaged at a distance of about 50 to 60 meters from the Fighting Follow Vehicle.</p> <p>[redacted] members of [redacted] occupied the Fighting Follow Vehicle. The [redacted] team members in the FFV are identified as [redacted] (vehicle driver), [redacted] (Acting SL), [redacted] (Left Rear Gunner), [redacted] (Right Rear Gunner) and [redacted] (Well Gunner). As the Acting SL for this</p>	
Describe in detail what actions were taken to neutralize the threat, including the use of lethal force, if any. Include the names of the personnel involved, the names of the vehicles involved, the names of the weapons involved, the names of the agencies involved, etc.			

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mission, I did not observe the actions of the suspect vehicle. I did hear both Well and the Right Gunner give commands to stop in Arabic to the driver. I also heard two shots from an [REDACTED] then advised me that the vehicle had stopped. The other occupants in the FFV did not observe the actions of the suspect vehicle but did hear the verbal commands given by the Right Rear and Well Gunners. They also heard that only two shots were fired by an [REDACTED]. After the incident occurred, the traffic started moving. I made contact with the RSO TOC by radio and gave them the location and a description of the incident. We continued to our venue without further incident. When I arrived at the venue, I contacted the RSO TOC by phone and gave him further information. The Detail Leader was notified after talking to the TOC Watch Officer.

**Follow-Up Required**

Follow up interview/investigation by ROS.

Operator(s)  
Involved

(Right Rear)  
(Well Gunner)

Vehicle(s)  
Involved

FFV

Team(s)  
Involved

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Sworn Statement

Date 1-16-2006	Time 1345
Location R50/Toc	

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

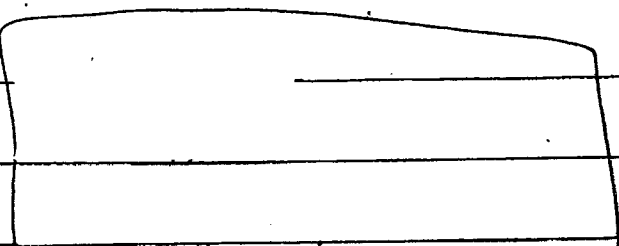
While in support of \_\_\_\_\_ in route to the Ministry Of Oil on the 16<sup>th</sup> of Jan 2006 at 0913, I \_\_\_\_\_ fired 2 shots into the grill of a Blue Bongo Flatbed Truck with Two Occupants. The motorcade was at a slow halt in the vicinity of 200 meters North East of \_\_\_\_\_ and formed a bubble around the vehicle by keeping a distance of 50 meters in front of the Lead vehicle and 70-100 Meters to the rear of the FFV. I was sitting in the Right Rear of the follow vehicle when a Blue Flatbed vehicle approached stopped traffic that was controlled by an Iraqi Police Officer, the Local driver ignored the commands of the officer and the vehicle continued to approach the motorcade from the right side trying to angle to the left side. I opened my door and began to give the proper verbal and hand signals to the vehicle as well as the Well Gunner. The vehicle continued to approach the Motorcade. At this time I feared for the safety of the team as well as my own. I then took 2 well aimed shots into the front grill of the vehicle and the vehicle came to a complete stop. There appeared to be no injuries and only damage to the vehicle. At this time the motorcade was able to continue on to the venue.

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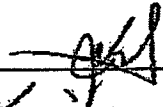
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16 day of  
Jan, 20 06.

Signed	
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JOHN KRAJICEK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature
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Sworn Statement

Date 1-16-06	Time 1305
Location Rso TOC	

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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of Rso, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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I was manning the position of well gunner in the Follow vehicle for an Advance mission Team [redacted] was conducting. On 16 Jan 06 at 0913 hours while travelling on a road 200 meters Northeast of [redacted] the traffic slowed and while maintaining a safe stand-off distance a Blue Bongo truck with 2 adult male occupants drove around the stopped vehicles in our direction. I called the vehicle out and issued verbal and nonverbal gestures to the vehicle to stop. I heard [redacted] who was in the right rear, issue verbal commands to stop. The truck drove around an IP who was trying to stop him and was driving at our vehicle within 50 meters of our halted motorcade. [redacted] fired twice into the grill of the truck which immediately halted. I observed no injuries to occupants of the vehicle. The IP immediately went to the vehicle and was yelling at the occupants as we continued our mission.

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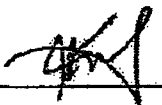
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	
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Address	D99 (R50) BLACKWATER

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16 day of  
Jan, 20 06.

Signed	
Printed	JOHN KRAJICEK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	16 Jan 06
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Type of Incident	Use of Lethal Force
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Location of Incident	Intersection NW of MO Electricity.
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Description of Incident	<p>On 01/16/06 at approximately 0925 Hrs I, [redacted] was the Team Leader for [redacted] was assigned to conduct an advance mission of the Ministry of Electricity for [redacted] is an integrated team, the order and composition of our convoy was [redacted]</p> <p>At approximately 0900 we were on venue when we received information from the Department of State (DOS) Tactical Operations Center (TOC) that the mission was canceled due to a incident near Bridge [redacted] Additionally, There was small arms fire coming from the vicinity of [redacted] Blackwater (BW) Air was sent to assist us in our return movement. BW Air scouted all three of our routes and advised us that our [redacted] route over bridge [redacted] was still our best option. We contacted the TOC and were advised that Check Point [redacted] was open to us. We departed venue at approx 0920. BW air advised congested traffic at [redacted] and suggested counter flow. Due to initial heavy oncoming traffic our convoy was stoped in the middle of [redacted] while we allowed the oncoming traffic to clear sufficiently for us to safely proceed. A safety bubble of approximately 65-70 meters was created using door gunners arm signals and verbal commands. Traffic was stopped to the right side of the convoy with a red sedan at the front. A Blue bongo truck was approaching the intersection and the edge of our safety bubble, weaving through the stopped traffic. My right door gunner, [redacted], was yelling at the vehicle stating, "Kef" and using arm signals, which the driver and sole occupant of the bongo truck ignored. The bongo truck aggressively vered around the red sedan, which was the last stopped vehicle at the edge of the bubble. The bongo truck then accelerated directly towards the K-9 vehicle. I heard a single shot from the direction of the K-9 vehicle (the vehicle immediately in front of mine). We had traffic stoppéd for approx 45-60 seconds prior to the bongo truck's attempts to move through traffic and towards our convoy. After the single shot I noticed that the bongo truck came to an immediate, controlled</p>
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stop at approx 50 meters. There was no apparent injury to the driver of the vehicle.

I determined that the right rear gunner in the K-9 vehicle [redacted] had fired one round from his [redacted] into the grill of the Bongo truck to disable it.

The incident was immediately relayed to the TOC.

At approx 0945, after safely entering Check Point [2] I called my Detail Leader [redacted] and informed him of the incident.

I contacted the TOC via phone at approx 1000 Hrs and received instruction to bring the shooter only to the TOC.

I arrived at the TOC with [redacted] at approx 1015 Hrs.

I collected all sworn statement by 1140.

See sworn statements by [redacted]

See vehicle load plan for personnel placement and assignments.

**Action Taken**

Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed on target, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.

One round fired from an [redacted] into the grill of a Bongo truck.

**Follow-Up Required**

Indicate what, if any, follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notification, etc.

DSS Special Agent Michael Duke took sworn statements from [redacted]

Hard copies submitted to Detail Leader [redacted]

Operator(s)  
Involved

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Vehicle(s)  
Involved

K9 Excursion

Team(s)  
Involved

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Sworn Statement

Date	16 Jan 06	Time	1100
Location			
W.P.P.S Camp Baghdad			

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I, [redacted] b6 b7c, hereby make the following statement at the request of

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

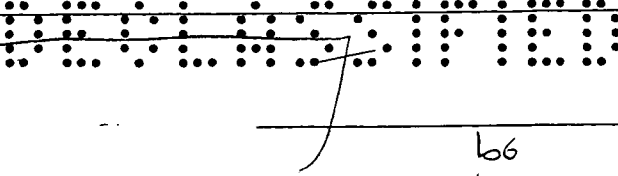
On 16 Jan 06, Team [redacted] with support of Team [redacted] proceeded to the Ministry of Electricity [redacted] as the advance for Team [redacted]. I, [redacted] was in the second vehicle right side as the TC. [redacted] was sitting behind me. We were taking [redacted] route back to [redacted]. At [redacted] we had to make a left turn through a T intersection. As we were approaching the intersection, I advised the vehicle that the merging traffic was slowing to a stop. We were in the middle of the intersection when we had to slow. I was watching where we were going as it was going to be tight on both sides. At this time, I heard [redacted] crack his door and yelling "Kiff, Kiff, Kiff". I glanced back and saw that he had his weapon out of the vehicle and was waving it. I turned my attention back to the front and that is when I heard a shot. I did not see the threat that he had shot for we were moving again.

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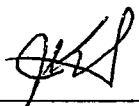
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Signed	
Printed	b6 b7C
Address	W.P.P.S. CAMP BAGHDAD

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16 day of  
January, 2006.

Signed	
Printed	John Kravicec

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature
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Address



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## Sworn Statement

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Date 16 Jan 2006	Time 1045
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad	

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At approximately 0925 at intersection [redacted] the motorcade came to a momentary halt in the middle of the intersection. I was in the right rear seat of the [redacted] vehicle (K-9) of the [redacted] vehicle motorcade, and had opened my door to halt oncoming traffic from the right. We had formed a protective bubble at approx 75 meters when I observed a blue Bongo truck with a single male occupant approach the rear of a stopped car and, without reducing speed, swerve to the right to pass it. I gave the driver distinct visual and verbal warnings, and heard another team member from the vehicle to the rear do the same. As the vehicle kept approaching and came adjacent to the other vehicle, I raised my [redacted] aimed at the vehicle, and gave another visual and verbal warning to stop. After the driver had ignored all of these warnings and proceeded to approach my vehicle, I feared for the lives and safety of my team members and myself. I fired one round into the grill of the vehicle to disable it. The vehicle came to an immediate, controlled stop. The adult male driver was the sole occupant of the vehicle. There were no apparent injuries.

Day	Number of People
Monday	20
Tuesday	30
Wednesday	40
Thursday	50
Friday	60
Saturday	70
Sunday	80

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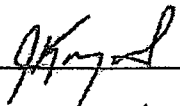
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Signed		b6 b7c
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Address	WPPS CAMP BAGHDAD	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16 day of

JANUARY, 2006

Signed	
Printed	JOHN KRASICKEK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature
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Address

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Sworn Statement

Date 16 January 2006	Time 1030
Location W.P.P.S Camp Baghdad	

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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of RSO, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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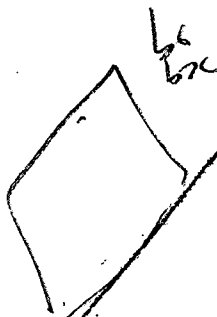
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See sworn statements by [ ]

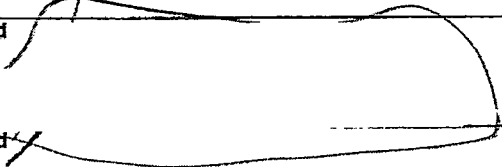
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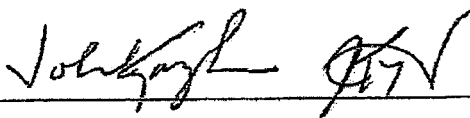


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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed		b6 b7C
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Address	W.P.P.S. CAMP BAGHDAD	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 20<sup>th</sup> <sup>KE</sup>~~20<sup>th</sup>~~ 05 16 day of  
January, 2006.

Signed	
Printed	John Kraus

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature
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Address

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Sworn Statement

Date 16 Jan 2006	Time 1030
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad	

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On 16 January 2006 at approx 0930, we were conducting an advance for Team [redacted] We were returning to [redacted] from venue. Our convoy was stopped at [redacted] due to traffic in front. I was the right side door gunner in the Follow vehicle [redacted]. I had traffic on our right side stopped at approx 75 meters creating a safety bubble. There were several vehicles stopped at the edge of this bubble which was the edge of the intersection for [redacted]. I had traffic stop for approx 60 seconds when I noticed a blue truck containing one male occupant swerve in and out of traffic approaching the edge of the bubble. I began giving verbal commands and using arm signals to get the vehicle to stop. The Blue Bongo truck failed to heed my warnings. I also heard verbal warnings coming from the K-9 vehicle directly in front of mine. I saw the Blue Bongo truck make an aggressive lane change around the last vehicle, a red sedan, at the edge of the bubble. I determined that the Bongo truck was a threat to me and the convoy. I presented myself in a clear manor giving hand, arm and verbal signals for the approaching truck to stop. He ignored my commands, instead, accelerating towards the convoy. The vehicle now 50-65 meters away and showed no signs of stopping. I felt the safety of my team was in jeopardy. As I was preparing to shoot, I was trying to gain a better angle, when I heard another member of my team fired one shot from the K-9 vehicle. I observed the vehicle come to a stop, disabled at approx 50 meters. I did not see any injury to the driver.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed		
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Address WPFS CAMP BAGHDAD		

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16 day of

JANUARY, 2006.

Signed	
Printed	JOHN KRAJICEK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Date 16 Jan 06	Time 11:05
Location 600 Man Camp Baghdad, Iraq	

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby make the following statement at the request of

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On 16 January I was riding in the left door gunner position in the K-9 vehicle which was the [redacted] b2  
vehicle in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade. At approximately 0930 at the intersection of [redacted] I was  
monitoring my area of responsibility when I heard the right side door gunner open his door, give a b2  
verbal warning of "kef" twice, fire a single shot from his [redacted] and then close his door. I continued  
to monitor my area of responsibility and did not eye-witness any events that transpired prior to or  
after the shooting on the right side of the vehicle.

-Nothing follows

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	[Redacted]
Printed	[Redacted] b6 b7C
Address	[Redacted]

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16 day of  
JANUARY, 2006.

Signed	[Signature]
Printed	John KRAVICEK

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	
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Address	

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## Sworn Statement

Date 16 Jan 2006	Time 1100
Location 600 Man camp, Baghdad, Iraq	

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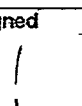
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I was the right side door gunner on the lead vehicle in the motorcade returning to [redacted] from the Ministry of Electricity. This was between 0930 and 0945 hours. At the intersection of [redacted] we were making a left hand turn and the passenger side door gunners on all [redacted] trucks cracked doors to enforce the bubble and stop the oncoming traffic from the 3 o'clock position. We had stopped traffic when a blue Bongo truck with a single male occupant made an aggressive move to pass around a red car that was stopped in the intersection. The driver was looking straight at the K-9 vehicle and accelerating past the stopped traffic. At approximately 60 meters from the motorcade, after giving hand signals and yelling "kef" I made the decision to engage the vehicle. Before I could get a shot off I heard one round fired from the K-9 vehicle and saw the HN vehicle brake rapidly. The vehicle stopped approximately 50 meters from the K-9 truck. I then returned to watching my sector and the motorcade left the area.

**-Nothing Follows-**

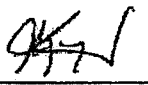
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JANUARY, 2006.

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Printed	<u>JOHN KRASICE</u>

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Date 16 Jan 06	Time 1100
Location W.P.P.S Camp Baghdad	

I,                      <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of                       
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On January 16, 2006 at approximately 0945, while traveling to            from            <sup>b2</sup>  
with            As the driver of the limo vehicle I was maneuvering            <sup>b6</sup>  
the vehicle through            are Right rear protection opened the door, <sup>b7c</sup>  
and yelled out kiff-kiff multiple times. Then I heard one shot from are  
right rear door,            I stated that he placed one round in to the grill of  
this vehicle. This all happen while we where in the middle of             
immediately            was on the radio reporting the incident at            <sup>b2</sup>

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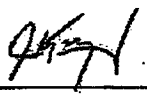
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16 day of  
January, 2006.

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Printed	JOHN KRASICKER

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# INCIDENT REPORT

This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.

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Date of Report: 23 January 2006  
Location: Basrah REO, Iraq

Task Order:

Person Releasing Report: Jeffrey L. Huber

Title of Person Releasing Report: TC Project Manager

Date of Incident: 23 January 2006  
Time of Incident: Aprox. 1950  
Contractor Involved: Triple Canopy, Inc.  
Detail Location of Incident: EOB compound

## Incident Synopsis:

At approximately 1950 on 23 January 2006, a motor cycle approached  (main gate to ROE compound). The TCN guards on duty identified the motorcycle and yelled and tried to have the motor cyclist stop. This individual kept on driving past the hedge hogs. Once he past the hedge hog barriers the TCN guards fired at the individual and motorcycle causing both to fall down. This individual then got up and pushed his motorcycle back out of the area and out of sight.

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1953 Brits was notified  
2015 Brit QRF showed up and found no signs of blood

Outline injuries if applicable: None

## Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:

Posting sign out front for warning of check point and not to pass.

Personnel Notified of Incident: Triple Canopy ARSO/PM/GFC

## Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:

No notable damage to structures within the compound.

Additional Reports Generated: A more detailed report will be forwarded after all individual statements have been submitted and reviewed.

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## U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

25 January 2006



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**Spot Report - 012506- 01**

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires three rounds into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On January 25, 2006 at approximately 1005 hrs, a COM PSD Advance Team was enroute from the International Zone to grid [REDACTED] when the right rear and well gunner observed an individual in a Silver van driving toward the motorcade. The van weaved through traffic towards the motorcade. The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the van to stay back. The driver ignored all signals given by both the rear and well gunner. Once the vehicle entered the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 70-100 yards, both the right rear and well gunner engaged the vehicle. The well gunner fired two shots into the front grill of the van and the right rear fired one. The van came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupant appeared to be uninjured as he was seen exiting the vehicle. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

03 JAN 2006 10:00



# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	25 Jan. 06	Time of Incident	10:05 AM
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distracted Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Use of Lethal Force		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	500 meters North West of		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On 25 January 2006 at approximately 10:05 AM, members of [redacted] were involved in a "Use of Lethal Force" to disable a vehicle. [redacted] was tasked with a site survey of the Ministry of Education located at [redacted]. The team was configured in a [redacted] motorcade. We were headed toward the second venue located at [redacted] was about 500 meters North West of [redacted] traveling South East along route [redacted]. At [redacted] the motorcade was stopped due to congested traffic. We had a standoff distance of about 50 meters to our front. The rear standoff distance was estimated to be at 75 to 100 meters. The traffic was stopped and all vehicles were complying with our commands. The roadway was a three car lane roadway with three cars stopped in each lane. A silver in color van occupied by an Iraqi male driver was observed by [redacted] (Follow Driver) to be weaving in and out of the stopped traffic. [redacted] then called out that the van was making its way through the traffic. The Silver van was then observed by [redacted] (Well Gunner) passing the traffic on the left side. The vehicle was able to maneuver through traffic due to the traffic ahead of him moving to the right side of the roadway. Due to his actions of passing the traffic and the traffic moving to let him by made us suspicious of his actions. The vehicle then passed about five stopped vehicles before it turned into the roadway and headed straight at us. The follow vehicle was stopped at a slant toward the right side. The Right Rear Gunner [redacted] and the Well Gunner [redacted] had a good view of the suspect vehicle. Both individuals then simultaneously started giving hand/arm and verbal signals to the suspect vehicle. The vehicle driver clearly ignored the signals that both individuals were giving. They continued to attempt to get the vehicle to stop. Both [redacted] and [redacted] used all options available to get the vehicle to stop. The Fighting Follow also has the typical warning in English and Arabic that states "Warning Stay Back 100 meters." When the vehicle was about 20 meters from the follow both the Well Gunner [redacted] and the Right Rear Gunner [redacted] engaged the vehicle with a disabling shot to the grill of the vehicle. [redacted] fired two rounds and [redacted] fired one round. [redacted] only fired one round when he realized that was engaging the suspect vehicle. All three rounds were observed striking the grill of the suspect vehicle. The driver was observed not to be injured. After the rounds struck the vehicle, the driver of the vehicle veered to the right and stopped. The driver got out of the vehicle and went to the front of his vehicle and appeared to inspect it for damage. He did not appear to be injured. All the rounds fired were [redacted] caliber and were fired from the issued [redacted] rifles. The area that we were in is known for VBIEDs. There were no BOLO for this type vehicle but intel was given that suspected VBIEDs might be in that area. Due to the actions of the driver passing the stopped traffic and failing to obey both verbal and physical warnings to stop, both gunners used force necessary to stop the vehicle. [redacted] did fear for his life and feared for the safety of his teammates. [redacted] also was in fear for his life and the safety of his teammates. Both gunners used constraint and used the force</p>		

continuum prior to engaging the vehicle with a disabling shot to the grill.  
This is the first shooting incident by both persons.  
The mission was completed without further incident and we returned to [ ]

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#### Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e., deployed air flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

10:05 Notified RSO TOC by radio of "shooting to disable" incident

10:15 Made contact by phone to give specific details to RSO TOC.

10:20 Contacted [ ] Detail Leader to advise of incident.

12:05 Reported to RSO TOC and met with ARSO Kevin Mann to give verbal statement.

12:20 Started DOS Statements and Blackwater Incident Report Form.

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#### Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e., further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Provide written statements to ARSO for further investigation.  
Forward written DOS Statements and Blackwater Incident Report Form through Chain of Command.

#### Operator(s) Involved

Well Gunner( Shooter 1)  
R. Rear (Shooter 2)  
Shift Leader b6  
Left Rear b7c  
Driver

#### Vehicle(s) Involved

Follow/ [ ]

#### Team(s) Involved

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At this point, I opened my right rear door and gave a verbal stop command, as well as a hand command to stop. I then aimed my rifle at the vehicle's grill due to its close proximity and failure to comply with the well gunner's and my commands. The van continued to ignore all commands given and proceeded toward the motorcade in a threatening manner. His vehicle was gaining speed and was not slowing. Since the driver of the vehicle failed to obey all other commands there was no other choice but to shoot to disable the threat. I fired one shot into the grill of the vehicle at which time I heard other shots from the well gunner's position. At the time of the shooting, the vehicle was approximately 50 feet from the rear of our follow vehicle. The van then slowed and stopped to the right. As we then proceeded forward, myself and the well gunner both observed what appeared to be an Arabic male get out of the vehicle on foot. The shooting occurred while we were traveling in a Southeast direction and were at grid coordinate [redacted] 62

[redacted] My decision to shoot to disable was due to fear of my life and the lives of my fellow PSS members. No further incidents occurred and no injuries reported. Nothing further at this time.

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Signed	[Redacted]
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Address	255 1850 Blackwater

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

Signed	[Signature]
Printed	Karin C. Mann

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Sworn Statement

Date	1418 TME	Time	01/25/06
Location			
R50 TOC			

I, Kevin C. Mann, hereby make the following statement at the request of Kevin C. Mann, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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On January 26, 2006 at 1005 hours while manning the well position in the follow vehicle of Team [redacted] I discharged two shots into a Silver Van which posed a threat to our vehicle at [redacted]

While traveling from [redacted] to [redacted] conducting a Technical Site Survey our vehicle motorcade had made a right turn onto a three lane highway traveling South East towards our next venue. I established a 100 meter standoff between our formation and vehicles behind us. Our Fighting Follow vehicle is Black and has White lettering on the rear of the vehicle in English and Arabic which states "Warning Stay Back 100 Meters". The traffic ahead of our motorcade was moving slow and stopping at times. All vehicles were following commands, halting, and maintaining a safe standoff. I noticed a Silver Van about 5 rows back in the slow moving traffic. The Van was weaving through the traffic toward the front of the traffic that had yielded to our commands. I called this out to our vehicle and continued to observe. The Van drove to the front and proceeded directly toward our vehicle and was driven by a Iraqi approximately 30 years old. I put my arm out the window showing the Iraqi hand signal to stop and gave verbal warning, then pointed my [redacted] out the rear window at the vehicle. I look through my [redacted] optics and saw the driver was fixed on our vehicle. [redacted] on the right rear door, opened his door and gave verbal commands to stop.

The Van continued, ignoring all warnings, toward our vehicle although all other traffic had stopped. The Van continued driving directly at our vehicle in a threatening manner, still fixed on our vehicle with his hands in the "10 and 2" position on the steering wheel and looking straight ahead. Due to the Van's threatening posture and actions I felt the Van was a threat to our motorcade. The Van was about 40-50 feet from the back of the follow vehicle when I fired two well placed shots into the grill of the van to disable the vehicle. I heard another shot from my left, PSS [redacted] fired his weapon into the grill also.

The Van slowed and turned to the right and stopped. The driver exited his vehicle and went the front to inspect the damage and appeared to be uninjured.

The mission continued without further incident.



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Address	DSS/RSO BLACKWATER

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 25 day of Jan, 20 06.

Signed	<i>Kenn C. Mann</i>
Printed	Kenn C. Mann

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

25 January 2006



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**Spot Report – 012506-02**

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**Subject:** Improvised Explosive Device (IED) attack on COM PSD Team.**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad**Summary:** Improvised Explosive Device (IED) attack on COM PSD Team.

On January 25, 2006 at approximately 0830 hrs, a COM PSD team from Mosul REO was traveling to Mosul Airfield in a ☐ vehicle motorcade to pick up principals. An Improvised Explosive Device (IED) exploded as the Follow vehicle passed. The Follow vehicle was disabled and was abandoned after all passengers were transferred to other vehicles within the motorcade. The motorcade continued to the airfield without further incident. Two PSD members reported minor injuries which appeared to be superficial. The military is currently planning an operation to retrieve the disabled vehicle.

**RSO Action:** Awaiting report from ARSO.**Location:** Mosul, Iraq

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**REO - AL-HILLAH**

January 31, 2006



**SPOT REPORT - 013106-01**

**SUBJECT:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle

**REPORTING OFFICE:** REO - Al-Hillah

**SUMMARY:** At approximately 1554 hrs, January 31, 2006, a Blackwater COM PSD Team was en route from FOB Delta to REO Al-Hillah when the well-gunner in the Counter Assault Vehicle (CAV), observed a black Daewoo, occupied by two males, approaching the motorcade from the rear at a high rate of speed. As the vehicle closed to within 50 meters of the CAV, the well-gunner deployed smoke and gave hand and verbal signals to get the driver to back off, but the signals were ignored. As the vehicle closed to within 35 meters of the motorcade, the left rear observer fired 3 rounds into the grill. The vehicle immediately came to a controlled stop. No injuries to the driver were apparent. The motorcade continued to destination. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

**RSO ACTION:** PSD members debriefed by ARSO

**LOCATION:** In the vicinity of Rt. [redacted] and Rt. [redacted], Ash Shumali, Iraq

[redacted]

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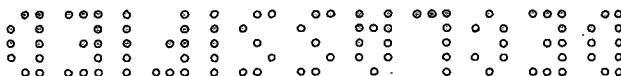


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Subject: Discharge of Firearms

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Date: February 1, 2006

On February 1, 2006, Team [ ] QRF was in direct support of Team [ ], Team [ ] motorcade was staged/ holding the street awaiting the departure of Team [ ] from MOF which is just out side of CP [ ] When I [ ] Lead Turret Gunner while watching my sector of fire had heard the TC [ ] shout, "STOP-STOP" at which time I heard (1) one round fired from an [ ] As I scanned my sector towards my right I saw a WHT in color Land Cruiser reversing its direction of travel towards our 12 o'clock position.

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Both Team [ ] and Team [ ] departed MOF/ entered CP [ ] without any further incident and returned safely to the IZ.

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Team Member, Team [ ] QRF

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Sworn Statement

Date <i>1 February</i>	Time <i>14.30 HRS.</i>
Location <i>U.S. EMBASSY BAGHDAD Iraq</i>	

*[Redacted Signature]*

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Signed	
Printed	b6 b7c
Address	TDKIL CORP. BAGHDAD, IRAQ.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of

FEBRUARY, 2006.

Signed
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SWORN STATEMENT

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SUBJECT: Weapons Discharge

On the morning of 01 Feb. 06, on or about 1245 hours, Team [ ] was going to MOFA to escort Team [ ] back into the IZ through Check Point [ ]

I was the RR, [ ] was the driver, [ ] was the TC, [ ] was the LR, & [ ] was the Torrent Gunner of the Lead HMMWV.

We came out of CP [ ] headed towards MOFA's entrance, drove over the median and positioned the HMMWV approximately 50 meters to the right side of the entry way. The HMMWV's direction of travel was towards CP (South) when stopped in position, awaiting Team [ ] departure.

The team had stopped traffic on both sides of the street leading into the MOFA. We were out of the vehicles for approximately 3 mins.

I was looking towards the West, from North to South. I heard [ ] yelling, "Stop", several times. He was to my left, approximately 1 meter from me. I looked towards my left to see what he was yelling at, and saw a white SUV approaching from the South, near the Iraqi Police Station, going north. It was not slowing down when told to by hand & arm signals or verbal commands from [ ] I also put my left arm up to signal the vehicle to stop.

Realizing the vehicle was not going to slow or stop, at approximately 100 meters from our position, I put my weapon on my right shoulder and took aim. I heard a gun shot from my left front and saw the white SUV break suddenly and stop. It slowly backed up.

I asked [ ] if he took the shot, he said, "Yes". I went back to observing my area.

Team [ ] came out of the MOFA entry way, we recovered into our vehicles and headed towards CP 12. On our way towards the CP, I saw to my left front that the white SUV was leaking a reddish looking fluid from the engine area.

[ ]  
 Team [ ]  
 PSD / EMT-P

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*R. B. B. (6)*  
Sworn Statement

Date <i>21 Feb 86</i>	Time <i>1415</i>
Location <i>U.S. Embassy, Baghdad, Iraq</i>	

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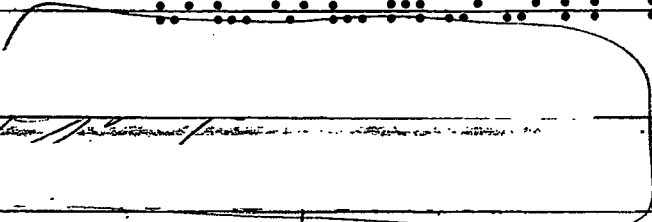
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BAGHDAD, IRAQ	

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15 day of February, 2006.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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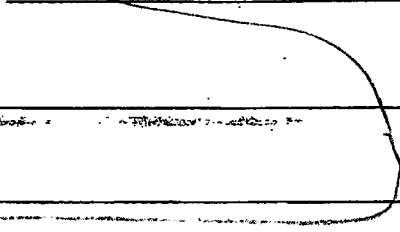
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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Subject: Weapon Discharge

Date: 1 February 2006

On 1 February 2006, Team [ ] TST was in direct support of Team [ ] escorting to and from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA). At Approx. 1300, Team [ ] was set up outside of MOFA awaiting Team [ ] departure. The outside of the venue had been secured and both lanes of traffic stopped for departure. My position was the lead left rear of the HMMWV and to stop traffic in the oncoming lane. Traffic was stopped when two vehicles approaching at a high rate of speed passing all stopped traffic proceeded to disobey instructions. Voice and hand signals were given again by me with apparently no intention to stop. At that time I went "guns up", safety off and prepared to fire when [ ] put one shot into the engine block to disable the vehicle. The vehicle broke the 100 meter safety bubble established and it was my intention to shoot this vehicle due to the driver's failure to obey the instructions. It is my opinion that an appropriate level of force was used in his situation and if [ ] hadn't shot I would have. The two vehicles I saw approaching had been instructed to stop by three individuals from the lead HMMWV and thus when continued created an appropriate escalation of force to protect U.S. personnel and property.

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Sworn Statement

Date 1 FEB 2006	Time 1438
Location US Embassy, BAGHDAD, IRAQ	

I,  <sup>b6</sup>  
<sub>b7c</sub> hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address	PSD MANCAMP, BAGHDAD, IRAQ

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 1 day of

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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SWORN STATEMENT

Subject: Discharge Firearm [redacted] b2

Date: 01 February 2006 at 12:45 hours

From: [redacted] b6 b7c

On the above listed date and time I was driving the lead HMMWV for [redacted] was outside the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, awaiting [redacted] to depart venue for a return into the international Zone via their [redacted] route into checkpoint 2. We had the vehicle traffic stopped in the area for safety. The lead was angled southeast in the southbound lane. The lead HMMWV personnel were designated to stop the northbound traffic. All vehicle traffic was stopped in the northbound lane and pulled over to the right side of the roadway. I observed a white land cruiser vehicle traveling northbound from the checkpoint 2 area at a high rate of speed. I told the turret gunner, [redacted] that a white vehicle was approaching fast and I blew the horn on the vehicle to get the attention of any team members in the area. I heard left rear [redacted] and T.C. [redacted] giving loud verbal commands for the vehicle to stop, along with hand and arm signals. As the vehicle passed the 100 meter mark, it was still at a high rate of speed. [redacted] fired one round into the engine block of the vehicle (no injuries). The vehicle skidded to a complete stop and reversed out. The vehicle reversed into other traffic and was no longer a threat. It was clear that the vehicle was disabled as it leaked fluids out onto the roadway. We completed the mission with no further incident.

Thank you, [redacted] b6 b7c

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Sworn Statement

Date 01 FEBRUARY 06	Time 14:30
Location US EMBASSY BAGHDAD IRAQ	

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	
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Address	US EMBASSY BAGHDAD IRAQ

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Signed
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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**INCIDENT REPORT**

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

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**Date of Report:** 9 FEB 2006

**Location:** Baghdad, Iraq

**Task Order:** 14

**Person Releasing Report:** Michael Kehoe

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** DPM Support; Acting PM

**Date of Incident:** 1 FEB 2006

**Time of Incident:** 1245 hrs.

**Contractor Involved:** [REDACTED] b6 b7c

**Detail Location of Incident:** Ministry of Foreign Affairs, [REDACTED] b2

**Personnel Involved:**

**First Name**

**Last Name**

**Unknown Iraqi National**

[REDACTED] b6 b7c

[REDACTED]

(Shift Leader) b6 b7c

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:**  
Thorough debrief of [REDACTED] and Vehicle Crew Members by Team/Detail and RSO Investigators. Actions were ruled just by RSO. b6 b7c

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Team radioed the DoS Baghdad TOC; the ARSO Jeffrey Lischke; Michael Kehoe b6 b7c

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** The shot was to disable the vehicle with one round from the [REDACTED] rifle. Due to no injuries, it is expected that other than a possible claim for damages to the vehicle, the impact is minimal. b2 b6 b7c

**Additional Reports Generated:** None at this time

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

02 February 2006



Spot Report - 020206- 01

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On February 2, 2006 at approximately 1306 hrs, a COM PSD Team was enroute from the Ministry of Oil to the International Zone, when the Turret gunner in the lead vehicle observed a Silver, four-door sedan driving toward the motorcade at a high rate of speed. The sedan was approaching the motorcade via the on-ramp as the motorcade was traveling across Bridge ☐ The team gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the sedan to stay back and the Turret gunner made eye to eye contact with the driver. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 70 -100 yards; the Turret gunner fired one shot into the engine block of the sedan. The sedan came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupant appeared to be uninjured. There were four principals in the motorcade at the time of the incident. The motorcade experienced no injuries and continued on to the International Zone without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone Baghdad, Iraq

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Summary:

As of 02 February 2006, one (1) disabling round was fired into the engine compartment in efforts to stop a potential threat. During motorcade operations, the rear security officer observed a silver Daewoo sedan (suspect vehicle) rapidly and aggressively approaching the motorcade from the rear. The rear security officer immediately deployed verbal and non-verbal warning signs to stop, slow or divert the suspect vehicle away from the motorcade.

According to the report, the suspect vehicle failed to comply to all warning signs and continued to close the gap. At this time, the rear security officer fired one disabling round into the engine compartment in efforts to stop the potential threat. (Field note: It appears that this particular AO had

the venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple VBIED's operating in the area.) The suspect vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop. There were no injuries nor collateral damage to report. The motorcade continued without further incident.

NAME:

WEAPON:

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If you require additional information please contact me via email.

Sincerely,  
Victor Esposito  
Program Manager  
Department of State Programs  
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REO - KIRKUK

2 February 2006



Spot Report - 020206-02

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Kirkuk

**Summary:** On 2 February 2006 at approximately 1544 hours, a Blackwater COM PSD Team en route from USAID Erbil to REO Kirkuk on Route [redacted] encountered an aggressive vehicle, a blue Chevrolet sedan with a lone male driver. The follow vehicle left rear gunner observed the aggressive vehicle approach the motorcade from the rear and both the right rear and left rear gunners gave hand and verbal signals, to get the driver to back off. The car continued to advance aggressively on the motorcade and attempted to pass the follow car. The left rear gunner continued to use hand and verbal signals in an attempt to stop the vehicle but the driver ignored all of the warnings. The left rear gunner then fired one round into the radiator of the suspect vehicle at approximately 15-20m. The vehicle slowed to a stop and smoke was visible. The driver exited the vehicle and no injuries were apparent. The motorcade continued to REO Kirkuk without incident. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

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**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements on file.

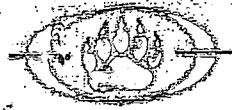
**Location:** Route [redacted] between Erbil and Kirkuk

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	2 Feb 2006	Time of Incident	1548
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	USE OF LETHAL FORCE		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	South of Erbil on hwy 2 approximately fifteen minutes north of Kirkuk Approximate grid		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On Thursday, February 2nd, at 0815, [redacted] staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission from the Kirkuk REO to USAID in Erbil. The brief was conducted per [redacted] and included the overall situation in Kirkuk and Erbil, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple VBIED's.</p> <p>The load plan was as follows, [redacted] SL/TC, [redacted] Driver, [redacted] Left Rear, and [redacted] Right Rear.</p> <p>On 02 Feb. 2006 at 1548, [redacted] was returning from Erbil carrying 4 Passengers. [redacted] manned the Follow vehicle door position on the right and [redacted] manned the left rear door. Both men called out and identified a fast moving late model dark blue Chevy sedan approaching from the rear occupied by one Iraqi male 30-40 years of age. Both men cracked doors and [redacted] was observed by SL [redacted] to be standing erect in the left door position giving the approaching vehicle a hand and arm signal in an attempt to warn the vehicle to slow down and back off the follow vehicle. The approaching vehicle disregarded both [redacted] signals as well as [redacted] attempts to warn the vehicle. The car then moved to the left, as if attempting to pass the follow vehicle. At this time [redacted] the Follow driver, moved to the center of the road taking away the line being used by the threat vehicle. The car then maneuvered farther left with intentions of passing. [redacted] informed SL [redacted] that he was going to engage, but at this time did not have a clear shot. [redacted] then engaged the threat vehicle from the left door with a single round, center mass, to the radiator. After the shot was fired, the vehicle tried to increase speed, but the round disabled the vehicle and caused it to begin smoking from the engine compartment. The vehicle then veered to the right shoulder of the road and the driver was observed exiting the vehicle and appeared to be uninjured. SL [redacted] ordered the motorcade to increase speed out of the danger area and marked the position on the GPS. SL [redacted] immediately contacted [redacted] with a SITREP and continued back to REO Kirkuk.</p>		

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	No further information at this time.
<b>Action Taken</b> <small>(Describe in detail what actions were taken, e.g. deployed, deployed, deployed, deployed, deployed, deployed, etc.)</small>	One round fired from [redacted] into radiator of aggressive vehicle. b2
<b>Follow-Up Required</b> <small>(Indicate what follow-up action is required, e.g. investigation, notifications, etc.)</small>	Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit. ... ..

<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>	[redacted] b6 b7c	<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>	[redacted]	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>	Indirect support b2
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## Sworn Statement

Date 02 February 2006	Time 1548
Location Fifteen minutes North of Kirkuk on HWY 2	

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I, [redacted] (Shooter) <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>

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At 1548 on 02 Feb. 06, A blue newer model Chevrolet car with a single occupant ( middle aged male) was engaged as it tried to pass the follow vehicle and expose itself to the protectee's suburban. The two rear security personnel in the follow vehicle were [redacted] in the left rear door and [redacted] in the right door. Fifteen minutes prior to returning to the REO-Kirkuk, this blue car approached our motorcade at an excessive speed even though we were going approximately 60- 65 miles per hour.

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As the car approached I opened the left rear door of the follow vehicle. Held onto the handle of the vehicle with my left hand and signaled the vehicle with my right hand to slow down, all the while exposing my torso outside of the vehicle with my weapon hanging down by my sling. I saw the vehicle still would not slow its high rate of speed. At this time I feared for my life so I took a seat and acquired a site picture on the center of the radiator as the car was 10 meters behind us. I called "shot", fired and watched the vehicle try to speed up, but the vehicle began smoking. I watched the car pull over to the right side of the road the occupant exited the vehicle; the occupant appeared to be unharmed. We continued to Kirkuk REO with out any further incidents.

No further information at this time

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	DECLASSIFIED
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Address	[redacted] b6 [redacted] b7C Kirkuk, Iraq

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY



U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

04 February 2006



Spot Report - 020406- 01

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle

**Reporting Office:** REO - Mosul

**Summary:** On February 4, 2006, at approximately 0617 hrs, a Blackwater PSD was conducting a pre-dawn movement to the Mosul Airfield, located on the Forward Operating Base (FOB) Diamondback, using lights. While traveling southbound the up-gunner in the lead TST noticed an approaching bus crossing the bridge on the right side of the intersection. As the lead TST entered the intersection, the up-gunner noticed the bus was not yielding to the motorcade. The up-gunner began to give hand and verbal signals to the bus without effect. Due to the proximity of the bus to the motorcade at this time, the up-gunner immediately engaged the bus with one (1) round from his \_\_\_\_\_ impacting on the grill of the bus. The bus made a controlled stop and the motorcade continued through the intersection arriving at the Mosul Airfield without further incident.

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**RSO Action:** RSO Mosul initiated an investigation. Sworn statements were obtained from the involved Blackwater personnel. In addition, a review of the Use of Deadly Force policy was conducted.

**Location:** Mosul, Iraq

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	04-FEB-06	Time of Incident	06:17
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractor Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Non Compliant Vehicle Shooting by REO Mosul PSD motorcade.		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail, include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	<p>Intersection of _____ and _____ _____ is a two-lane roadway for south bound only traffic. The intersection has multiple lanes merging down to two lanes bottle necking all traffic to two lanes before crossing bridge. _____ is a two-lane road with no shoulder. The actual incident took place in the southbound lane closest to the PSD Motorcade that was heading northeast on _____ preparing to cross over _____</p>		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On Friday, 03FEB2006, 1900 Blackwater Mosul PSD Team had an Operation brief for a mission to the Mosul Military Air Field. The brief was conducted per Mosul PSD SOP and included the overall situation in Mosul, mission brief and rules of engagement.</p> <p>The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted _____</p> <p>vehicles used for insurgent activity and IED emplacements, the VBIED and SVBIED threat was high with a lot of activity in the past couple days.</p> <p>Due to the extremely high threat of SVBIED attacks on motorcades in Mosul, the detail had left under the cover of darkness, just following the lift of curfew.</p> <p>The load plan was as follows, _____</p>		

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The Detail departed Forward Operating Base (FOB) Courage at approximately 0600 hrs. We had traveled North on MSR [redacted] then East on local road, South on [redacted] approaching North East intersection of [redacted] and [redacted] when the incident occurred. b2

As the lead TST vehicle was approaching the intersection [redacted] they observed a high occupancy van approaching from the northeast on [redacted]. Our motorcade had slowed down to turn east on [redacted] from [redacted] upon approaching the intersection. The lead TST driver used his audible signaling device (vehicle horn) and flashing lights (Headlights) in an attempt to alert the driver visually to stop. b2

These are techniques that the U.S. Army and Western PSD Teams have used in Mosul to alert vehicular traffic when they are too close to western PSD or coalition forces. It is an approved TTP by the United States Department of State regarding motorcade movements/signaling.

The Up gunner at this time used verbal and hand signals to alert the driver to stop. The driver failed to stop after multiple warnings using verbal, horn, flashing lights and arm signals. Once the vehicle closed within 50 meters the up gunner felt the motorcade was endangered fearing for his life, the team and the principals that was being escorted. The up gunner prepared to take action to eliminate the threat. Once the vehicle was within 20 meters of the motorcade the up gunner placed a single well-placed shot to the grill then assessed the action of the vehicle.

The single male occupant/driver of the vehicle appeared to be uninjured and the vehicle came to a complete stop. Our motorcade continued away from the vehicle to our destination.

The SL immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident as well as the Battle Captain of 172 Striker Brigade.

Upon return to FOB Courage all PSS members of the Lead TST vehicle and the motorcade SL/TC attended a DS, follow on interview with the operator(s) involved.

No further information at this time.

Please see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator's involved.

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<b>Action Taken</b> (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin fires, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)	One round fired from [redacted] into engine block of aggressive vehicle. b2
<b>Follow-up Required</b> (Indicate what if any follow-up actions are required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	This report will be forwarded up the chain of command and submitted to the RSO office here at the REO Mosul.  At this time there is no other pending action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.

<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>  	[redacted]  Detail Leader,	<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>  	<b>Lead TST</b> [redacted]	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>  	<b>REO Mosul PSD</b> [redacted] TEAM
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## Sworn Statement

Date 04 February 2006	Time 1700
Location At [redacted]	

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On 21 November 2005 I was part of [redacted] team and assigned to ride in the left rear seat of the lead vehicle of a [redacted] vehicle motorcade. The vehicle was an up armored [redacted] There were three other people in the vehicle with me. b2

As our vehicle approached the intersection of route [redacted] and the [redacted] Bridge, I was scanning my sector of responsibility out the left rear window. As we entered the intersection, I heard the Shift leader, yell "Slow, slow." Concurrently, I heard a shot come from the up gunner position. Immediately afterwards the up gunner announced, "That's a [redacted]" This term indicates a member of the PSD team has discharged his weapon. I then heard the Shift leader make a radio call to the follow vehicle and request that a verbal incident report be sent to the Blackwater TOC at FOB Courage. b2

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address
Mosul PSD Team

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Signed
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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## Sworn Statement

Date 04 February 2006	Time 1700
Location At [redacted]	

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I, [redacted], hereby make the following statement at the request of

Ronald Campbell ARSO Mosul, , who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the  
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On 4 February 2006 I was the [redacted] for [redacted] team and was riding in the front right seat of the lead vehicle of a [redacted] vehicle motorcade. The vehicle was an up armored [redacted]. There were three other people in the vehicle with me. This included a man operating a [redacted] mounted on the top of the vehicle. This man accessed the [redacted] through a hole in the roof of the vehicle. I was armed with a [redacted]. This weapon was issued to me by the Department of State. During my military and PSD service I have had extensive training in the use of this type of weapon.

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Our mission this day was to transport a Department of State diplomat to the military airfield located on FOB Diamondback. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of FOB

Courage and travel for several kilometers through a part of Mosul where anti-Iraqi Forces (AIF) hostile to the US presence in Iraq operate. Attacks on American military and civilians are common in this area.

It is important to keep vehicles away from a protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives. This tactic has caused hundreds of deaths in Baghdad. My company has lost 29 employees to such attacks.

As our vehicle approached the intersection of route [redacted] and the [redacted] Bridge. I had just got done communicating to the driver to turn left when I saw the headlights coming from we were heading. Since it was dark and very little cars are allowed out I did not want to get close to any car so I communicated to the driver to slow down by yelling, "Slow, Slow". Concurrently, I heard a shot come from the up gunner position. Immediately afterwards the up gunner announced, "That's a [redacted]." This term indicates a member of the PSD team has discharged his weapon and there is no further threat. I then made the call back to the Shift Leader telling him to report that we had fired one shot into the grill at that location and that there appeared to be no injuries. I then continued on with the navigation of the motorcade and we made it to our destination with no further incidents.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Signed
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Address
Mosul PSD Team

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Signed
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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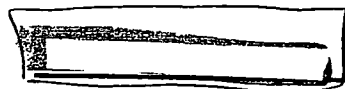


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Sworn Statement

Date 04 February 2006	Time 1700
Location [redacted] Intersection	

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I, [redacted], hereby make the following statement at the request of Ronald Campbell ARSO Mosul, Iraq, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

On Friday, 03FEB2006, 1900 Blackwater Mosul PSD Team had a Operation brief for a mission to the Mosul Military Air Field [redacted]. The brief was conducted per Mosul PSD SOP and included the overall situation in Mosul, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted [redacted]

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[redacted] used for insurgent activity and IED emplacements, the VBIED and SVBIED threat was high with a lot of activity in the past couple days.

Due to the extremely high threat of SVBIED attacks on motorcades in Mosul, the detail had left under the cover of darkness, just following the lift of curfew.

The load plan was as follows, [redacted]

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The Detail departed Forward Operating Base (FOB) Courage at approximately 0600 hrs. They had traveled North on MSR [redacted] then East on local road, South on [redacted] approaching North East intersection of [redacted] and [redacted] when the incident occurred. The lead TST vehicle was approaching the intersection [redacted] when a high occupancy van approached from the northeast approaching our motorcade, the lead TST driver used horn and flashing lights to attempt to alert the driver to stop. I used verbal and hand signals to also alert the driver to stop. Due to limited light conditions and time of morning I did not have any alternative method of visual deterrence (i.e. Rail mounted flashlight, laser, or less lethal weapon mounted munitions. The driver failed to stop after multiple warnings using verbal, horn, flashing lights and arm signals. Once the vehicle closed within 50 meters I felt the motorcade was endanger fearing for my life, my team and the principals that we were escorting I prepared to take action to eliminate the threat. I engaged the vehicle at 20 meters with a single well placed shot to the grill and assessed the action of the vehicle. At this time the vehicle came to a complete stop and our motorcade continued away from the vehicle to our destination. Once our motorcade was out of harms way and the vehicle was no longer a threat, I reported to the T/C that I had fired my weapon. The T/C reported the incident to the S/L who reported it to the TOC and to the Battle Captain at F.O.B. Courage we continued our mission and arrived at Mosul Military Air Field without further incident. b2

No further information at this time.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Mosul, Iraq - Blackwater PSD

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident: 5 Feb 2006	Time of Incident: 1030
Type of Incident: (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non-Lethal Force/Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	INCIDENT REPORT
Location of Incident: (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, and coordinates if known, etc.)	Ministry of Health
Description of Incident: (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On Sunday, February 5th, at 0800, [redacted] (IPD Counter Assault Team) staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's missions in direct support of [redacted] mission to Ministry of Health. The brief was conducted per [redacted] SOP and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief, and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple VBIED's and complex attacks.</p> <p>The load plan was as follows, [redacted]</p> <p>Upon arrival at the venue, our motorcade was attempting to enter the VIP entrance and assisting the local guard force in clearing civilian traffic so that they could move the Bongo truck that they utilize to secure the entrance. The civilian traffic ignored the local security force's (driver) verbal and visual instructions to move. [redacted] SL/TC deployed the left and right rear CAT to assist the driver in moving traffic with hand and arm signals. All traffic complied except for the driver of a white in color 4 door Daewoo (BOLO) which refused to move, further exposing the principals and PSD to threat of attack. This vehicle was positioned such that it would not allow the local security force to move their Bongo truck allowing the now-static motorcade, entrance to the venue.</p> <p>The turret gunner, [redacted], was also heard issuing verbal commands for the driver to move as we were sitting on the X. [redacted] then chose his next step in the escalation of force and threw a water bottle at the vehicle which broke its passenger side window; the driver still refused to move. [redacted] left and right rear were on each side of the vehicle issuing verbal commands which the driver continued to ignore. Instead of further escalating his use of force, [redacted] threw another water bottle and struck the roof of the vehicle. The vehicle slightly moved forward which allowed the Bongo truck to move and allow the motorcade entrance to the venue. The motorcade's time on the X exceeded two minutes as we were also blocked in the rear from reversing out of the</p>

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	static situation. No further information at this time.
<b>Action Taken</b> <small>Describe in detail what actions were taken, e.g., deployment of forces, deployed special weapons systems, etc.</small>	Two water bottles thrown at a non-compliant driver of a BOLO vehicle.
<b>Follow-Up Required</b> <small>Indicate what, if any, follow-up action is required, e.g., further investigation, citations, etc.</small>	Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.

<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>	b6 b7C	<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>	Vehicle	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>	Indirect support
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident: 5 Feb 2006 Time of Incident: 0933

Type of Incident:  
(See Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Am. Use)

USE OF LETHAL FORCE

Location of Incident:  
(Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)

At \_\_\_\_\_ No Venue Name

Description of Incident:  
(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)

On Sunday, February 5th, at 0800 \_\_\_\_\_ (IPD Counter Assault Team) staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission in direct support of \_\_\_\_\_ mission to \_\_\_\_\_. The brief was conducted per \_\_\_\_\_ SOP and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple VBIED's.

The load plan was as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Due to principal tardiness, at 0915, \_\_\_\_\_ departed thirty minutes late from \_\_\_\_\_ in direct support \_\_\_\_\_ as the lead vehicle of a \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade. The motorcade arrived at \_\_\_\_\_ without incident via the \_\_\_\_\_ route.

Upon arrival at grid above provided by the RSO/TOC, the principal stated to the AIC that this was not the venue/location of their meeting. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ restaged the motorcade and deployed perimeter security locking down a one block-perimeter of avenues of approach. \_\_\_\_\_ SL/TC and \_\_\_\_\_ SL were outside of the lead HMMWV discussing ideas proposed by the principal of where the venue could possibly be located; \_\_\_\_\_ SL was also in direct phone communication with Blunt of RSO/TOC providing a situation report. Without warning, a blue in color Bongo Truck with one male Iraqi National driver and cargo was noticed accelerating in a hostile manner directly towards \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle from the 12 o'clock position. The operator in the turret, \_\_\_\_\_, issued multiple verbal "kiff", and visual commands for the driver to stop while making direct eye contact with the driver. The driver of the aggressive vehicle repeatedly ignored the team member's verbal and visual commands to stop and continued to accelerate in a hostile manner towards \_\_\_\_\_ HMMWV and stationary motorcade. The vehicle was at a distance too far to throw a water bottle and continued to accelerate. Fearing for the life of his team, himself, and the principals, \_\_\_\_\_ was escorting, Brock fired two well placed rounds from his \_\_\_\_\_ into the grill/engine block of the aggressive vehicle. The single male occupant/driver was uninjured and immediately swerved down a side street to the left. \_\_\_\_\_ SL/TC

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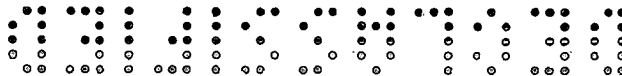
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	<p>immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident. [redacted] immediately departed on mission to next venue in direct support of [redacted] without further incident. SL/TC notified Specialty Teams DL upon safe arrival at next venue.</p>
	<p>Upon return to [redacted] after 4 follow on missions with [redacted] SL/TC attended a DS, follow on interview with the operator involved.</p> <p>No further information at this time.</p> <p>Please see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator's involved.</p>
<p><b>Action Taken</b> (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)</p>	<p>Two rounds fired from [redacted] into engine block of aggressive vehicle. b2</p>
<p><b>Follow-Up Required</b> (Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)</p>	<p>Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.</p>

<p><b>Operator(s) Involved</b></p>	<p>[redacted] b6 b7C</p>	<p><b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b></p>	<p>Vehicle [redacted]</p>	<p><b>Team(s) Involved</b></p>	<p>[redacted] indirect support [redacted] b2</p>
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 DSS Iraq Mission





# Sworn Statement

Date 020506	Time 0933
Location Baghdad, Iraq	

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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of

Janet Meyers, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.


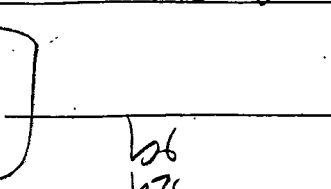


On 02/05/06 at approx 0933 hrs [redacted] conducted an initial movement to one of three scheduled venues. While in the vicinity of the venue, in a static position, warning shots were fired by the lead vehicle. [redacted] The up-gunner shouted numerous verbal commands to an approaching blue "Bongo" van that was maneuvering in a aggressive manner. Despite the verbal commands and arm gestures the vehicle continued to advance on our position. At this time I was on the phone with BW TOC attempting to verify the actual location of our drop site when I heard "2" shots being fired from the [redacted] vehicle. I observed no injuries to the occupants of the vehicle. The driver then complied fully with all verbal commands and hand gestures from the [redacted] unit. We departed our location for the next venue without further incident.

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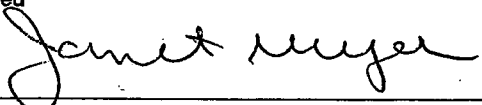
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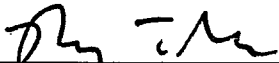
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Sworn Statement

Date 05 February 2006	Time 0933
Location At [REDACTED]	

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I, Timothy Meyers, hereby make the following statement at the request of

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

On Sunday, February 5th, at approximately 0930. at [REDACTED] I heard our turret gunner, [REDACTED] repeatedly issue verbal commands b6 b7C "kiff" for a hostile vehicle to stop. I then heard two [REDACTED] round fired b2 from his weapon. I then witnessed the vehicle swerve to the left down a side street out of my field of vision.

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
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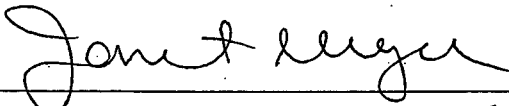
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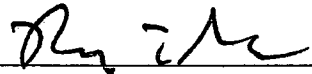
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Printed	Janet Meyer

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Printed	ROANE SALAS
Address	RSO TOC





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# Sworn Statement

Date 05 February 2006	Time 0933
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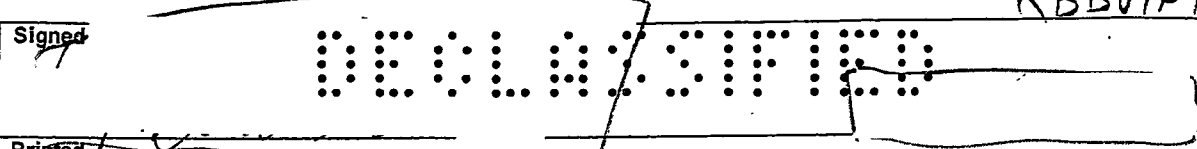
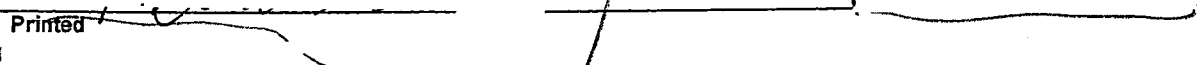
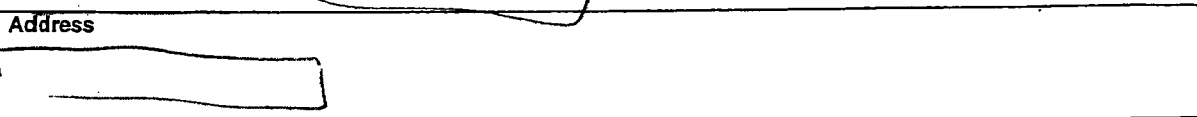
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On Sunday, February 5th, at approximately 0930, while stationary at MB [redacted] I heard our turret gunner, [redacted] repeatedly issue <sup>b6 b7c</sup> verbal commands "kiff" for a vehicle to stop. I then heard two [redacted] <sup>b2 b7c</sup> rounds fired from his weapon.

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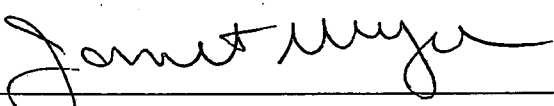
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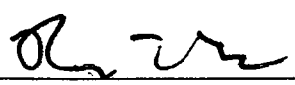
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Signed	
Printed	Janet Meyer

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# Sworn Statement

Date 05 February 2006.	Time 0933
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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

On Sunday, February 5th, at [REDACTED] I heard our turret gunner, [REDACTED] repeatedly issue verbal commands "kiff" and stop, to the driver of an aggressive vehicle. I then heard two [REDACTED] rounds fired from his weapon.

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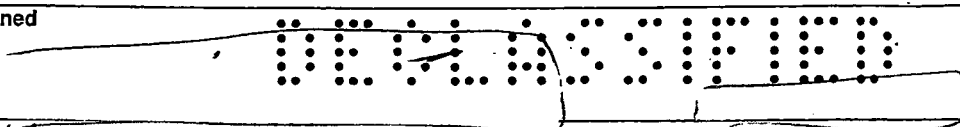
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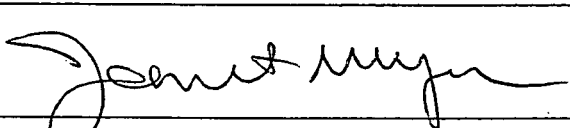
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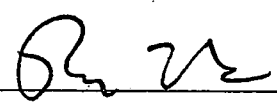
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Sworn Statement

Date 05 February 2006	Time 0933
Location [REDACTED]	

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I, Tamara Meyers, hereby make the following statement at the request of Tamara Meyers, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

[REDACTED] was in direct support [REDACTED] as the lead vehicle of a [REDACTED] vehicle motorcade and arrived at [REDACTED] without incident via the [REDACTED] route.

Upon arrival at grid above provided by the RSO/TOC, the principal stated to the AIC that this was not the venue/location of their meeting. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] restaged the motorcade and deployed perimeter security locking down a one block-perimeter of avenues of approach. [REDACTED] SL/TC and [REDACTED] SL were outside of the lead HMMWV conducting a map study and discussing suggestions from the principal of where the venue could be located; [REDACTED] SL was also in direct phone communication with Blunt of RSO/TOC providing a situation report. Without warning, a blue in color Bongo Truck with one male Iraqi National driver and cargo was noticed accelerating and swerving in a hostile manner directly towards [REDACTED] vehicle from the 12 o'clock position. I heard the operator in the turret, [REDACTED] issue multiple verbal "kiff" commands for the driver to stop. The driver of the aggressive vehicle repeatedly ignored the team member's verbal commands to stop and continued to accelerate in a hostile manner towards [REDACTED] HMMWV and the stationary motorcade. Fearing for the life of his team, himself, and the principals [REDACTED] was escorting, I heard the team member fire two rounds from his [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] witnessed the rounds impact the grill/engine block area of the [REDACTED]

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aggressive vehicle. The driver was uninjured and the single male occupant/driver swerved down a side-street to the left. SL/TC immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident. [redacted] immediately departed on mission to next venue in direct support of [redacted] without further incident. [redacted] SL/TC notified Specialty Teams DL upon safe arrival at next venue. b2

Upon return to [redacted] after 4 follow on missions with [redacted] SL/TC attended a DS, follow on interview with the operator involved. b2

No further information at this time.

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Signed

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Signed

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*Janet Meyer*

*Janet Meyer*

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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## Sworn Statement

Date 05 February 2006	Time 0933
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I, Tammy Meyers, hereby make the following statement at the request of Tammy Meyers, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

On Sunday, February 5th, at 0800, [redacted] (IPD Counter Assault Team) staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission in direct support of [redacted] mission to [redacted]. The brief was conducted per [redacted] SOP and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple VBIED's.

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The load plan was as follows: [redacted]

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At 0915, [redacted] departed from [redacted] in direct support [redacted] as the lead vehicle of a [redacted] vehicle motorcade. The motorcade arrived at MB [redacted] without incident via the [redacted] route.

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Upon arrival at the grid above provided by the RSO/TOC, the principal stated to the AIC that this was not the venue/location of their meeting. [redacted] and [redacted] restaged the motorcade and deployed perimeter security locking down a one block-perimeter of avenues of approach. [redacted] SL/TC and [redacted] SL were outside of the lead HMMWV discussing the principal's suggestions of where the venue could possibly be located; [redacted] SL was also in direct phone communication with Blunt of RSO/TOC providing a situation report.

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While watching the 12 o'clock position I had over watch on a main intersection in the area. I was directing all traffic to stop, take another route or to turn around. All traffic complied with my verbal and visual orders. I had all traffic stopped creating a safety bubble at approximately 100 meters from our motorcade. Suddenly a blue in color Bongo Truck with one male Iraqi National driver and cargo was noticed intentionally weaving through the traffic we had stopped. He continued to accelerate in a hostile manner directly towards [redacted] vehicle from the 12 o'clock position. I issued multiple verbal "kiff", and visual commands for the driver to stop while making direct eye contact with the driver. The driver of the aggressive vehicle repeatedly ignored my verbal and visual commands to stop and continued his hostile action. The vehicle was at a distance too far to throw a water bottle and continued to accelerate. Fearing for my life, my team, and the principals [redacted] was escorting, I fired two, well place rounds, from my [redacted] into the grill/engine block of the aggressive vehicle. The vehicle immediately swerved onto an adjoining side street and drove off and the single male occupant/driver was uninjured. [redacted] SL/TC immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident. [redacted] immediately departed on mission to next venue in direct support of [redacted] without further incident. [redacted] SL/TC notified Specialty Teams DL upon safe arrival at next venue.

Upon return to [redacted] after 4 follow on missions with [redacted] SL/TC attended a DS, follow on interview with the operator involved.

No further information at this time.

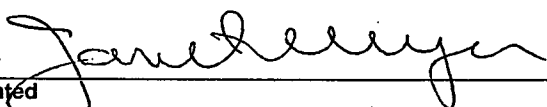
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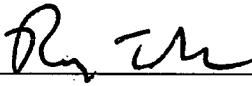
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**SPOT REPORT -020506-01**

**SUBJECT: COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**

**REPORTING OFFICE: RSO TOC**

**SUMMARY:** At approximately 0930 hours on 05 February 2006, a COM PSD Team fired upon an aggressive vehicle. The COM motorcade was stationary at approximately 100 meters from a main intersection and the PSD team was directing all traffic to stop, take another route or turn around, creating a safety bubble. A blue Bongo truck with one male driver intentionally weaved through the stopped traffic and accelerated directly towards the lead Counter Assault Vehicle (CAT). The lead CAT turret gunner from approximately 100 meters gave verbal and visual signals for the vehicle to stop but the driver did not slow down. The turret gunner at approximately 75 to 80 meters fired two rounds into the grill of the increasingly hostile vehicle. The vehicle immediately swerved onto an adjoining side street and drove off. The driver did appear injured. The motorcade with four IRMO principals experienced no injuries and continued without further incident. b2

**RSO ACTION:** ARSO is investigating the shooting.

**LOCATION:** Baghdad, Iraq

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**Spot Report - 020706-02**

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Kirkuk**Summary:** Blackwater PSD fires multiple rounds into an aggressive vehicle possibly causing Iraqi casualties.

On 7 February 2006 at approximately 1530 hrs, a Blackwater COM PSD Team ( ) en route from Suliminayah to REO Kirkuk was towing a disabled FAV and encountered an aggressive vehicle at ( )

( ) The motorcade was stopped in traffic when a orange and white taxi driven by a lone occupant broke out of the stopped traffic 75 m behind the follow vehicle. The follow vehicle left rear, right rear and well gunner observed the aggressive vehicle approaching the motorcade and gave hand and verbal signals, to get the driver to back off. The driver ignored the signals and the car continued to advance aggressively on the motorcade. The aforementioned gunners fired multiple disabling rounds into the grill to stop the vehicle. The vehicle continued to advance on the motorcade and the gunners fired at the driver in an attempt to stop the vehicle. The vehicle swerved off the road and came to a stop. The motorcade continued to REO Kirkuk without incident. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

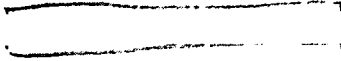
An element from 101<sup>st</sup> TOC notified the RSO that the Iraqi police had 2 IZ casualties at the site of the shooting. The RSO and military elements

attempted to meet the IP Commander at the scene but were turned back by a hostile crowd.

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**RSO Action:** RSO conducting investigation.

**Location:** Kirkuk



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TITLE 07FEB2006 Kirkuk PSD Shoot		DS CASE NUMBER / REPORT NUMBER 2006-0019	
TRUE NAME Nizam Qadir MOHAMMAD, Khalid Mahmud MADIR		CASE TYPE Administrative	
POST Baghdad	DATE REPORTED	DATES INVESTIGATED 07FEB2006	REPORTING AGENT SA Pryer, Becht, Hiemstra

**SYNOPSIS**

At approximately 1618 hrs on 07FEB2006, a Blackwater Protective Security Detail assigned to Regional Embassy Office Kirkuk fired on a white and orange taxi cab, Iraqi Plate # 6258, when it came too close to their motorcade. The driver of the taxi was killed, as was the driver of another vehicle. A pedestrian was injured.

The actions taken by the team, including the use of lethal force, are consistent with current Department of State rules of engagement. The collateral death and injury are the inevitable result of these rules.

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1. Between 7 and 13 February 2006 Diplomatic Security Special Agents assigned to the Regional Embassy Office in Kirkuk conducted interviews and collected documentation from official and private sources that had information about the incident. From these sources the following narrative of events can be deduced:
2. While driving back to the Regional Embassy Office, on a four-lane road with heavy traffic in both directions, the Chief of Mission motorcade encountered a traffic jam and came to a stop. The cars behind them also came to a stop; staying about seventy-five to a hundred meters back, probably in reaction to the sign on the back of the last motorcade vehicle that had written on it a warning for them to do so. [It is also probable that most drivers, simply through experience, knew not to approach too close to the rear of a protective motorcade.] There were        people in the last motorcade vehicle. There was <sup>a</sup>        who was armed with a b2  
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3. The right-rear gunner saw a white and orange taxi making its way through traffic on a side street that connected to the street on which the motorcade was stopped. He saw the taxi turn onto their street and drive around the stopped traffic until it was able to pull in front of the other cars. The right-rear gunner yelled a warning to the other men in the vehicle. The left-rear gunner and the well gunner saw the taxi as it pulled in front of the other traffic and started towards the rear of the motorcade.
4. In the last motorcade vehicle the right and left rear gunners opened their doors and leaned out of the car so they could signal to the taxi driver to stop. All three men in the rear vehicle yelled for the driver to stop and used hand signals to try to get his attention. They shined flashlights at him in an additional effort to get his attention. The taxi continued towards the rear of the motorcade.
5. Because the taxi continued towards the motorcade, and fearing the taxi might carry a bomb, the right and left gunners fired rounds into the engine compartment of the taxi. This was done both as a last-ditch effort to get the drivers attention and to disable the vehicle. The vehicle seemed to slow and turned slightly to the left but then came back in line with the rear of the motorcade and seemed to speed up. At this time the right and left gunners fired more rounds into the engine compartment of the taxi and the well-gunner, with his       , also fired into the engine. The taxi continued forward and was now dangerously close to the motorcade. At this time all three gunners shifted their aim from the engine and their efforts to disable the car, to the driver, in an effort to disable him. All three men fired many rounds through the windshield. The taxi drive was struck several times and lost control of the taxi which veered to the left (to the right from the perspective of the three gunners) and came to a rest against the median that separates the four travel lanes. The shooting continued until the taxi came to a complete stop.
6. At least sixty-one rounds were fired and probably closer to ninety. One round struck a pedestrian who was walking in the area. His exact location when he was struck is unknown. A man driving an Opel was traveling in the opposite direction from the taxi, across the median, in the opposing travel lanes. Iraqi witnesses say he stopped his car and got out to see what was happening. His position was such that, as the gunners swept their fire to the right to track the taxi as it came to a rest against the median, a round crossed across the median and the rear travel lane on the far side of the road and struck the Opel driver in the chest. He died of the wound.

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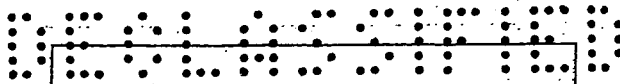
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7. On 13FEB2006 agents Pryer, Hiemstra and Becht from the RSO investigations section interviewed the team leader as well as the three shooters from the follow car. Their description of events, as well as the reports provided by the Iraqi police, paint a reasonably clear picture of how events transpired prior to and during the shooting. The two fatalities and the injury can be accounted for in the context of the event. The shooting of the taxi-drive was consistent with current DoS rules of engagement. The other death, as well as the injury, are a predictable result of these rules.
8. The taxi was fired on because its driver failed to heed repeated warnings by the PSD team to stay back. The team fired rounds into the front of the vehicle in an effort to get the driver's attention and disable the vehicle. When the taxi continued to come towards the motorcade they fired into the driver in an effort to render him incapable of operating a vehicle. In this they were successful.
9. The right-rear shooter, as well as the well-gunner, had to fire at an angle during the last moments of the incident in order to keep fire on the target. (This conclusion is supported by the angle of some of the holes in the taxi, as well as statements by the shooters). As a result, at least one round passed through or over the taxi, crossed the other travel lanes, and struck the driver of the Opel.
10. The pedestrian, along with dozens of other people, was simply in the line of fire and was struck by one of at least 61 rounds fired.

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POST Baghdad	DATE REPORTED 07 - 18 FEB 2006	DATES INVESTIGATED 07FEB2006	REPORTING AGENT SAs NOONE, CYGRYMUS, STUTZMAN

SYNOPSIS

At approximately 1618 hrs on 07FEB2006, a Blackwater PSD team assigned to Regional Embassy Office Kirkuk, Iraq. Was involved in a shoot to disable incident which resulted in 2 fatalities while towing a disabled PSD vehicle to REO Kirkuk the team engaged a local taxi cab, Iraqi Plate # 6258 at Grid [redacted] and [redacted] The Right Rear, Left Rear and Well Gunner of the follow vehicle fired multiple rounds from both [redacted] into the grill, then windshield of the taxi cab, after which both Right/Left Rear and Well Gunner witnessed the taxi cab swerve to the center median and come to a stop.

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In the following days, agents in Kirkuk gathered information that not only the taxi but a Red Opel Estra, Iraqi Plate # 10434 was damaged from bullets fired. This PSD shooting resulted in two deaths and one injury. The taxi cab driver named Khalid Mahmud NADIR, the Red Opel driver Nizam Qadir MOHAMMAD were shot and killed. [redacted] a pedestrian was wounded by a PSD team in Kirkuk.

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1. At approximately 1618 hrs on 07FEB2006 at Grid; [redacted] (Encl #1) the Right Rear, Left Rear and Well Gunner in the follow vehicle of a Blackwater PSD motorcade [redacted] engaged a white and orange taxi cab while traveling in Kirkuk. (The motorcade was assisting the towing of a disabled PSD vehicle from [redacted] another Kirkuk based Blackwater PSD team (Encl #2). The disabled vehicle broke down while conducting an official Chief of Mission visit to Sulaymania.) According to written statements and incident reports generated by the Blackwater PSD team members, the Right Rear fired 1 magazine (Approx. 30 rounds in three distinct intervals, from his [redacted] rifle). The Left Rear fired multiple rounds (unknown number of rounds from his [redacted] rifle). The Well-Gunner fired two three round bursts then a third burst of approx. (9) nine rounds (total of approx. (15) fifteen rounds from his [redacted]). Both Right Rear, Left Rear and Well Gunner observed the white and orange taxi swerve towards the left and come to a stop on the center median of the road. b2
2. On 07JAN2006, at approximately 1619 hrs RSO Kirkuk and began receiving reports from the REO Kirkuk Tactical Operations Center (TOC) that [redacted] engaged a vehicle with multiple rounds while towing [redacted] disabled vehicle. This incident reportedly took place at approximately 1618 hrs on 07FEB2006 (Encl #3).
3. On 07 FEB2006 Blackwater PSD, [redacted] team members [redacted] - Shift Leader submitted a PSD Incident Report (Encl #4), [redacted] will submit a sworn statement while in Baghdad) [redacted] - Follow-driver (Encl #5), [redacted] - Left Rear (Encl #6), [redacted] - Right Rear (Encl #7), [redacted] - Well Gunner (Encl #8) submitted sworn statements. b6  
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4. On 07 FEB2006 RA and RSO STUTZMAN interviewed [redacted] [redacted] stated that he fired approximately 30 rounds at the taxicab at approximately 16:18hrs. [redacted] stated that he fired numerous rounds at the taxi and was unsure of exact number. [redacted] also stated that he had been involved in three other PSD shootings while in Iraq. [redacted] stated he fired approximately 15 rounds at the taxi. b6  
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5. On 07FEB2006 RA and RSO STUTZMAN, traveled to scene of incident via military convoy but were redirected to FOB WARRIOR because a hostile crowd had gathered at the location and the military did not consider the location to be secure. RA and RSO STUTZMAN returned to REO.
6. On 07 FEB2006 RSO STUTZMAN recommended that [redacted] be sent to Baghdad to meet with RSO Investigations Office. b6  
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7. On 08FEB2006 RA unable to visit incident location, Rahimawa Police Station or inspect vehicles because of elevated threat levels in Kirkuk. RA was unable to view the either body due to local and religious customs which require the deceased must be buried within 24 hours of time of death.
8. On 09FEB2006 RA unable to visit incident location, Rahimawa Police Station or inspect vehicles because of elevated threat levels in Kirkuk.
9. On 10FEB2006, RA interviewed [redacted], Commanding Officer, 2-327 Infantry Brigade, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division regarding the PSD shooting (Encl #9, 10). [redacted] stated that at approximately 1600hrs 2-327 Infantry TOC was notified by LNO and Iraqi Police stationed at the Rahimawa neighborhood Police Station that a PSD team had shot at a taxicab in the Rahimawa District. Two Kurdish citizens were killed and a third was wounded (Identities and extent of injuries are unknown). Three pictures of the taxicab (white and orange 4 door sedan) were given to RA illustrating multiple bullet holes in grill, bumper, hood and windshield (Encl #11-13). [redacted] also forwarded to RA a classified document regarding shooting incident (Encl #14). RA requested that [redacted] forward any additional photos taken at the scene or regarding this incident be forwarded at the earliest possible time. b6  
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10. On 11FEB2006, RA receives from [redacted] (1) one CD disk (Encl #15) containing (7) seven additional vehicle photos of a white and orange taxi herein referred to VEHICLE #1 and a Red Opel, herein referred to as VEHICLE #2 (Encl 16-22) and (9) nine Iraqi Police report documents written in Arabic, (translations pending) (Encl 23-31). The photos show the numerous bullet holes in VEHICLE #1 and a single bullet hole in the rear hatch of VEHICLE #2. b6  
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11. On 12 FEB2006, investigation suspended because demonstration of approximately 100 Rahimawa residents held at front gate of REO. Media and Iraqi Police monitored demonstration. REO staff met with demonstration leaders and petition was given to REO staff expressing community outrage regarding shooting incident. Crowd chanted "We want blood". Demonstration ended at approximately 1300 hrs.
12. On 12 FEB2006, RA met with family members/next of kin of victims, community leaders and Chief of Police Rahiwana district. Next of Kin forwarded photos of taxi driver body (Encl #32-34). Next of Kin was very upset over the loss of family members and demanded a transparent investigation, investigation results be made public, those involved in shooting be tried before an Iraqi court and reparations be made to the families of the victims (Encl #35).
13. On 12FEB2006, RA interviewed [redacted], Rahimawa Police Chief. [redacted] forwarded (12) twelve additional documents regarding the 07FEB2006 shooting incident (Encl #36-47) (documents are being translated by REO FSNs). [redacted] stated the driver of VEHICLE #1 was identified as Khalid Mahmud NADIR, herein referred to as SUBJECT #1 was shot (twice) in the face, four times in the chest and once in the leg. Nizar Qadi MAHAMMAD, driver VEHICLE #2, herein referred to as SUBJECT #2 was shot (once in right upper chest) and killed. [redacted] herein referred to as b6  
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SUBJECT #3, pedestrian walking alongside VEHICLE #1 was shot (in the left thigh) and wounded. In reviewing the documents presented by \_\_\_\_\_ (written in Arabic) the evidence suggest VEHICLE #1 approached and was fired upon by \_\_\_\_\_ when SUBJECT #1 drove within 100 meters from \_\_\_\_\_ location. SUBJECT #2 driving the VEHICLE #2 in the opposite direction heard the gunfire, pulled over exited the vehicle, faced the direction of \_\_\_\_\_ and was struck in the right side upper chest by a single bullet the bullet then exited right-hand side upper back. b6 b7c b2

14. On 13FEB2006, \_\_\_\_\_ Department of Defense translator, under contract from Titan completed translations of (Encl 23-31 and 35-46) the following additional information was provided regarding the 07FEB2006 PSD shooting incident: b6 b7c

SUBJECT #1

Name: Khalid Mahmud NADIR

DOB: 1950

Sex: Male

Wounds: Entry and exit wounds in upper and lower chest, broken bone in right hand, entry and exit wound in right leg, strong cerebral hemorrhage. (Autopsy report does not specify exact location of entry wounds or of exit wounds)

Cause of Death: Internal bleeding in chest, stomach and strong cerebral hemorrhage caused by multiple gunshot wounds. (Encl# 31-41, 40, 42, 48)

SUBJECT #2

Name: Nazim Qadir MOHAMMAD

DOB: 1973

Sex: Male

Wounds: Wound in upper torso. (Autopsy report does not specify exact location of entry wound or of any exit wound)

Cause of Death: Internal bleeding caused by gunshot wound (Encl #30, 41, 43, 48)

SUBJECT #3

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b6 b7c

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: Male

Occupation: Peshmarga/Erbil

Wounds: Wound in left leg. (Does not specify exact location of entry wound or of any exit wound) (Encl #38, 44, 48)

VEHICLE #1

1990 Corona 1.8 four door sedan

White and orange taxi cab

VIN # TT152-110176

License Plate: Ta'amim #6258

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Condition: Numerous bullet holes in front bumper (5 bullet holes), grill, front door (2 bullet holes) hood (21 bullet holes) and windshield (22 bullet holes) (Encl #11-13, 16-20, 27, 36, 45, 52-60 & 63)

VEHICLE #2

1991 Opel Astra

Red 3 door Hatchback

VIN # WOL000058R501072

License Plate: Kirkuk #10434

Condition: Bullet holes in rear hatch lower frame (1 bullet hole), and rear bumper (1 bullet hole). (Encl #21, 22, 27, 36, 37, 45 61 & 62)

WITNESS #1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b6/b7c

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation:

Address: Rahimawa, Kirkuk

Statement: On 7 February 2006 at 1615hrs 3 Black GMC cars driven by Jewish or Israelis, GMC #1 was towing GMC #2. GMC #3 opened driver-side door and shot 3 or 4 rounds at VEHICLE #1 at a distance of 100meters killing SUBJECT #1 instantly. VEHICLE#1 did not appear to pose a threat to GMC #3. Driver-side shooter (Left Rear) then starting shooting randomly at VEHICLE #2 who also did not pose a threat to GMC #3. (Encl #46)

WITNESS #2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b6/b7c

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation:

Address: Rahimawa, Kirkuk

Statement: On 7 February 2006 at 1615hrs: While driving his pickup truck he noticed 3 Black GMC Suburbans, GMC #1 was towing GMC #2. GMC #3 driver-side (rear) door opened and driver-side shooter (Left Rear) opened fire on people. (Encl # 47)

WITNESS #3

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ b6/b7c

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: Worker

Address: Rahimawa Market Transcendent Houses, Kirkuk

Statement: Claimed, on 7 February 2006: While walking past the main street vehicle garage on my way home three (3) black cars, (cannot remember license plate) opened fire on civilian people. I was lying on the ground until they (three black cars) departed. I then saw a dead body on the ground after looking at the dead body I saw a second dead body on the opposite side of the street. (Encl # 25)

WITNESS #4

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Name: [REDACTED] b6/b7c

DOB: [REDACTED]

Occupation: [REDACTED] Located behind vehicle garage, Rahimawa, Kirkuk

Cell Number: [REDACTED] b6/b7c

Address: Unknown

Statement: Claimed, on 7 February 2006: While leaving the Khalid Bin Walled mosque in the evening I arrived at the Rahimawa Market intersection. I saw three (3) black cars, I could not see the license plate numbers, they (3 black cars) opened fire randomly on a civilian. I laid down on the ground with a group of people. Once they (3 black cars) left. I learned two people were killed. (Encl # 26)

15. On 15FEB2006 RA and RSO STUTZMAN using information gathered from sworn statements, Iraqi Police provided incident scene sketches, RA initial incident scene sketch, and "On scene" Rahimawa Iraqi Police Officer testimony reconstructed the incident scene to illustrate the final disposition of VEHICLE #1&2, SUBJECT #1-3, WITNESS #1-4, the validity of the evidence collected, and construct a final incident scene sketch. (Encl 48, 49, 61)
16. On 15FEB2006 RA and RSO STUTZMAN took photos of shooting incident location and VEHICLE #1 and #2. (Encl. 50-60). VEHICLE #1 had approximately 70-76 bullet holes (Front bumper, grill, right side front fender, right side front door, windshield, roof and luggage rack) (Encl. #61). At least six (6) rounds penetrated the car numerous times. RA was unable to determine the exact number of bullets impacting VEHICLE #1 due to the fact that several bullet entry holes have corresponding exit holes in the hood. Bullets exiting VEHICLE #1 hood continued towards and impacted the windshield then entered the passenger compartment. VEHICLE #1 had numerous bullet exit holes in the engine compartment, firewall, dashboard, steering wheel and seats. Based on the evidence collected (sworn statements and drawing received, photos of SUBJECT #1/VEHICLE #1 and RA inspection of incident scene and VEHICLE #1) it appears SUBJECT #1 driving VEHICLE #1 did approach PSD TEAM [REDACTED] at the above mentioned time and date. In the course of approaching [REDACTED], VEHICLE #1 was engaged by gunfire originating from [REDACTED] follow-car. Numerous bullets impacted VEHICLE #1 and SUBJECT #1 damaging VEHICLE #1 and fatally wounding SUBJECT #1. VEHICLE #1 stopped moving as it contacted the center median. b2
17. VEHICLE #2 had a single bullet hole located on the passenger side of the rear hatch lower frame. (Encl. #56). This bullet past through the rear hatch, and allegedly struck the driver (SUBJECT #2) in the right shoulder while seated in the driver seat. WITNESS #1-4 were unable to be located by Rahimawa Police. VEHICLE #2 was struck by one round while traveling southbound in the opposite lane past [REDACTED]. It is unknown how or when VEHICLE #2 came to a halt on the right hand shoulder of the road. Based on the lack of credible evidence collected, witness contact, conflicting or unsubstantial witness statements and no additional bullet holes in VEHICLE #2; RA can not determine beyond a reasonable doubt the exact location and attitude of SUBJECT #2 when fatally struck by the bullet. b2

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ENCLOSURE ITEM LIST

1. MAP OF INCIDENT LOCATION: (3) pages 38S ME 4509-2841
2. REGIONAL EMBASSY OFFICE KIRKUK , PSD Mission Information Sheet (SPARTAN 3/2: dated 7 February 2006)
3. REGIONAL EMBASSY OFFICE KIRKUK, Tactical Operations Center Official Log, dated 07 February 2006
4. REGIONAL EMBASSY OFFICE KIRKUK, BLACKWATER, PSD Incident Report (Date of Incident: 7 February 2006, Time of Incident:: 1618 hrs)
5. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Diplomatic Security Service, Sworn Statement:                       
    , Follow-Car Driver, Spartan 3/3: Dated 07 February 2006
6. DEPARTMENT OF STATE , Diplomatic Security Service, Sworn Statement:                       
    , Left Rear, Spartan 3/3: Dated 07 February 2006
7. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Diplomatic Security Service, Sworn Statement:                       
    , Right Rear, Spartan 3/3: Dated 07 February 2006
8. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Diplomatic Security Service, Sworn Statement:                       
    , Well Gunner, Spartan 3/3: Dated 07 February 2006
9. RA Interview of                      Typed notes, dated 10 February 2006.
10. ARSO Michael CYGRYMUS Interview notes:
11. PHOTO: Vehicle #1 - White and Orange 1980 Corona 1.8, 4 door Sedan Taxi Cab. Driver side Front Fender View (Bullet holes in Grill, hood windshield, driver side and flat tire driver side front).
12. PHOTO: Vehicle #1 - White and Orange 1980 Corona 1.8, 4 door Sedan Taxi Cab. Driver side Front Door/Window View (Bullet holes in hood, dashboard, steering wheel).
13. PHOTO: Vehicle #1 - White and Orange 1980 Corona 1.8, 4 door Sedan Taxi Cab. Driver side Rear View (Rear window shattered, bullet holes in rear seat and windshield).
14. Classified Document: Location - REO Kirkuk.
15. Compact Disk (CD) PRINCO CD-R, 700MB/80Min 1x-56x, (Contents: 7-photos, 1 PDF "Translation Doc" 9 pages. ....)
16. PHOTO: "IMG-242" Vehicle #1 - Driver side Rear View (Bullet holes in hood, dashboard, steering wheel).

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17. PHOTO: "IMG-243" Vehicle #1 - Front View (Bullet holes in hood, dashboard, steering wheel).
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33. PHOTO: NEXT OF KIN PICTURE #2 - (4 pictures per page) Clockwise from top left - (A) SUBJECT #1 and Unknown male on cell phone. Left side head, blood and wounds visible. (B) VEHICLE #1 Front license plate, 3-4 bullet holes. (C) SUBJECT #1 and Unknown male. Close up left side head, blood and wounds visible. (D) SUBJECT #1 and Unknown male. Close up left side head, blood and wounds visible.
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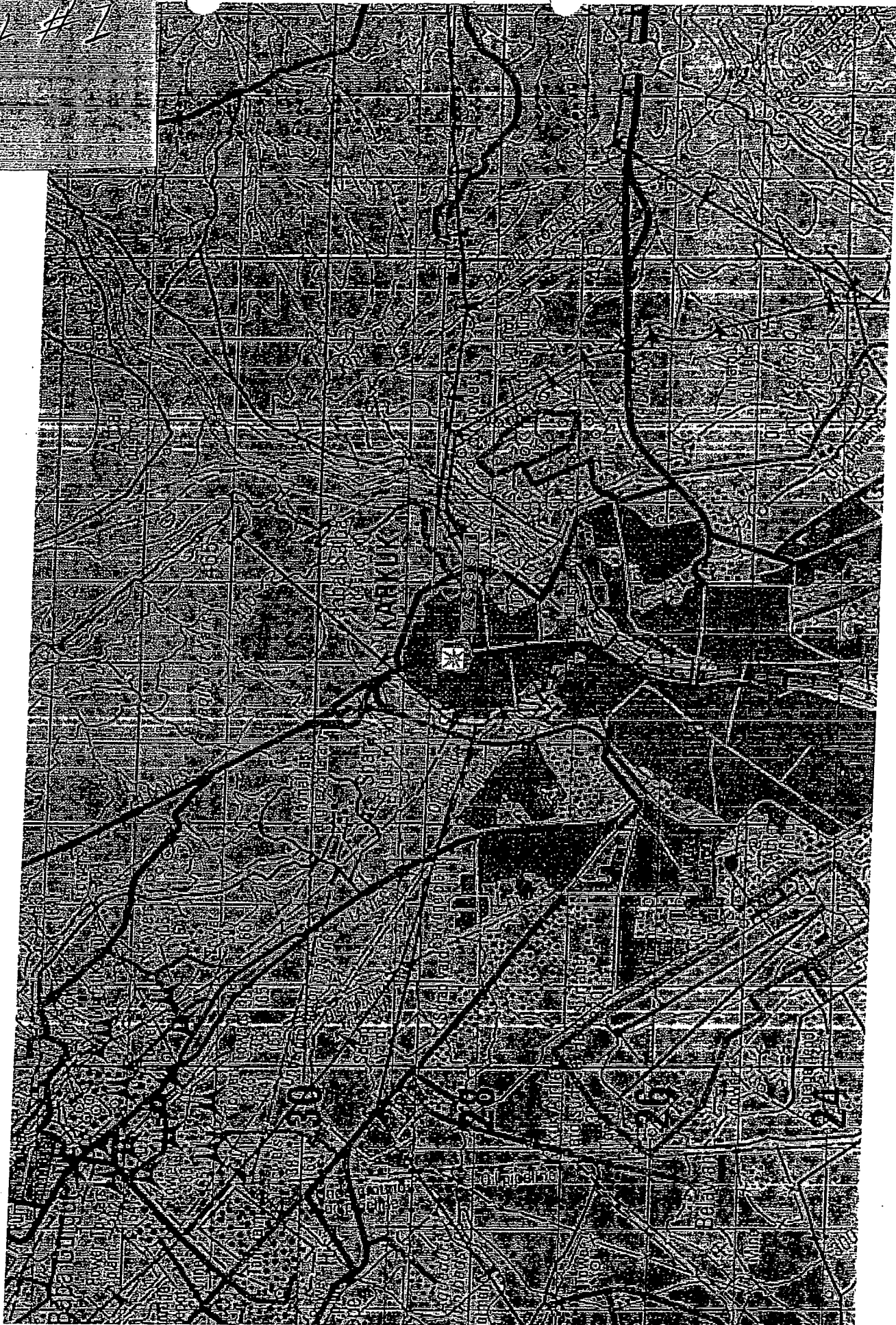
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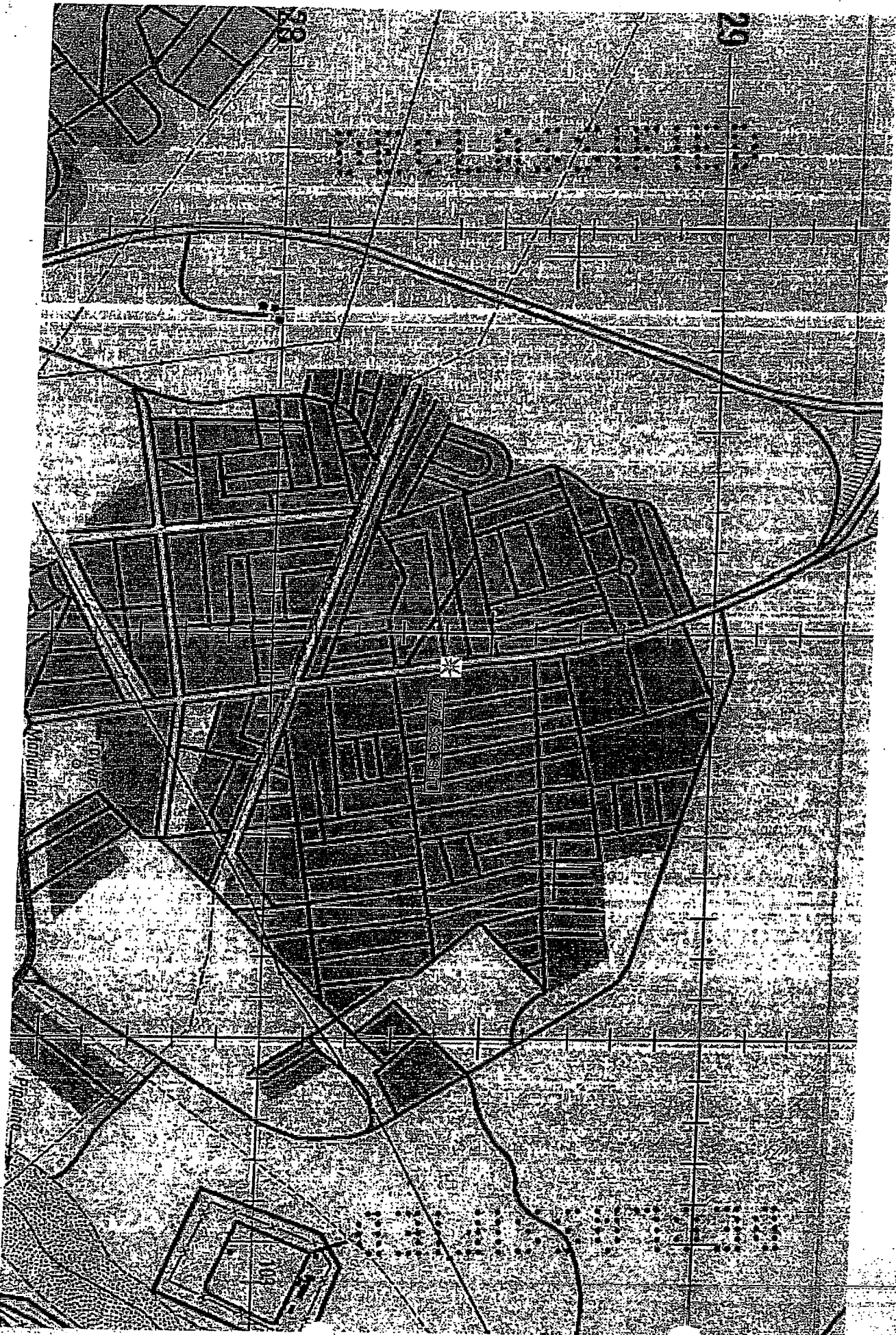


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## PSD - Mission Information Sheet

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Administrative Information									
Call Sign:		Date of Mission:	07 Feb 06	Mission No.:	TM32-020706-1				
Destination Name(s):		Palace Hotel, Kasrat Rasul KNA Office, Kurdistan Toilers Party Office							
Destination Grid(s):				Blue Code(s):					
Stage Time:		0815	Depart Time:		0830	Return Time:		TBD	
AIC Name:				SL Name:					
AIC MCI:				SL MCI:					
Primary Channel:					Mobile BFT No.:				
Mission in Support of:		REO		Mission Initial Start Point:		REO			
Date Mission Received:		06 FEB 06		Time Mission Received:		1400			

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Principals and Passengers			
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Name of Person to be Visited (1-6) @ Home			
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Name		Name	
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TOC USE ONLY			
Actual Departure Time:		Actual Return time:	
Mission Package Includes: Cover Sheet - Load Plan - Route Plan - Topical Photo of Venue			
TOC OPS Reviewer:		Date:	
RSO Reviewer Approval:		Date:	

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		RADIO CHECK VIA	L/C
2		DEPARTING REO	
2		RADIO CHECK VIA	L/C
2		PHASE LINE 1	
		RADIO CHECK	L/C
07 0911	HOME GAME	EXPLOSION AND SAF OBSERVED FROM TOWER 2, FROM DIRECTION OF KRAB	
07 0914		PHASE LINE 2	
07 0918		SAF WAS TEST FIRING OF WEAPONS FOR PATROLS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE OF SECURED AREA	
07 0936			
07 1023		ARRIVED VENUE 1	
07 1027	OPS CHIEF	DEPARTING TOC, MONITORING CH. E&E	
07 1209		ARRIVED VENUE 2	
07 1300	OPS CHIEF	DEPARTING TOC, MONITORING CH. E&E	
07 1348		ARRIVED VENUE 3	
07 1400		RADIO CHECK	L/C
07 1448		DEPARTING VENUE 3, RETURNING TO REO	
07 1449		PHASE LINE 3	
07 0523		LEAD VEHICLE WENT DOWN, JUST EAST OF PHASE LINE 2	SPUN UP
07 1526	TOC	SHIFT LEADER BRIEFED ON SITUATION	
07 1537		BFT CHECK W/ BAGHDAD	GOOD
07 1538		DEPARTING REO	
07 1559		CURRENT LOCATION: / 1 VEHICLE IN TOW	
07 1556		HAVE LINKED UP, ADJOINING MOTORCADES AS DIRECTED	
07 1558	OPS CHIEF	LIMO ADJOINED W/ LEAD & K9 TO ESCORT PRINCIPALS BACK, FOLLOW ADJOINED WITH VEHICLES IN TOW TO PROVIDE SECURITY SUPPORT	
07 1610		1 YARD LINE, 3 PLAYERS, CONVERSION 0	
07 1611		ARRIVED REO, SECURING COMMS	
07 1618		ENGAGED 1 VEHICLE, MULTIPLE ROUNDS, VEHICLE WOULD NOT STOP, ZERO TEAM CASUALTIES	
07 1619		3 YARD LINE, 3 PLAYERS (2 IN TOW), CONVERSION ZERO... AWAY GAME DECLINED	
07 1622		2 YARD LINE	
07 1625		ARRIVED REO, SECURING COMMS	
07 1833	RSO	NEEDS TO BE PICKED UP AT MAIN	
07 1847	OPS CHIEF	BFT CHECK W/ BAGHDAD, TRACKING NO JOY FOR	
07 1853		DEPARTING REO	
07 1904		ARRIVED KRAB	
07 1915		DEPARTING KRAB	
07 1923		1 YARD LINE, 3 PLAYERS, CONVERSION 0	
07 1925		ARRIVED REO, SECURING COMMS	

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident: 02/07/2006 Time of Incident: 1618HRS

Type of Incident:  
1. Use of Lethal Force, Use of Non-Lethal Force, Distraction, Devices Deployed, Assault

Location of Incident:  
(Describe location in detail, including route, barriers, local landmarks, and coordinates if known, etc.)

Description of Incident:  
(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principals involved, injuries if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FENS and/or other US government agencies involved, etc.)

USE OF LETHAL FORCE

On Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> (Advance/QRF) was on standby at the REO (Regional Embassy Office) in support of who were on a mission to Sulaymania. At approximately 1526hrs we were informed that was enroute back to the REO and that one of their vehicles was down due to mechanical problems.

We were informed that we were needed to roll out and link up with them and have our Lead and K-9 vehicle escort limo back to the REO while follow would act as a follow for vehicle's (one in tow) enroute back to the REO. We conducted a team briefing explaining the situation to all members of and the mission we were undertaking to support team and principals.

At 1538 hrs with vehicles departed the REO to meet up with We had direct radio contact with and we planned on meeting them on the Alternate Supply Route (ASR) near the first check point.

At approximately 1558hrs we linked up with on the ASR and our Lead and K-9 vehicles took Limo with principals and punched out ahead of us in a separate motorcade while Follow linked up with Lead and Follow and continued toward the REO in a separate motorcade with one of vehicles being towed by the other one.

While enroute back to the REO our motorcade encountered heavy traffic in both directions and we were at a standstill several times but still allowed traffic to flow when possible in the lanes next to us. When we crossed the bridge over the Khasah Chay River and turned right driving in a northerly direction on the road that we refer to as River Road we encountered very light traffic. This road starts out from the bridge area as a divided four lane and as you continue driving on it it shrinks into a smaller road with parked vehicles on the curb side and one lane in each direction.

On this same road around the area of our motorcade was at a full stop because of congested traffic ahead of us. The traffic behind us was stopped 75-100 meters. It should be noted that on the back of our follow there is a sign that is written in Arabic and English that says to stay back 100 meters and the vehicles were complying with this sign.

One of the three team members in the rear of the follow yelled out that there was a white and orange (taxi) vehicle that was weaving around other stopped vehicles and approaching our stopped motorcade in an aggressive manner.

This vehicle matched previous Intel Bolo's (be on the look out for) that we have received in the recent past and was acting in a manner that is consistent



with past TTP's (training, tactics and principals), Intel and information regarding the actions of current VBIED's etc.

Both [ ] and [ ] issued several verbal and physical ("kiff") commands to the closing vehicle but the vehicle continued to close in an aggressive manner on our stopped motorcade. Both then waved their rifles in a warning manner known as "muzzling" to warn this vehicle and continued the loud verbal commands and [ ] was turning on and off a flashlight to warn the driver of this aggressive vehicle.

I then heard [ ] who was in the well position employing the [ ] out the back of the vehicle announce that vehicle was still closing. Because of the aggressive nature that this vehicle continued to employ and his disregard for all warnings Both [ ] and [ ] fired disabling shots into the grill of the aggressive vehicle. The vehicle continued to close and both fired at least one more time trying to disable the vehicle. The vehicle continued toward our motorcade aggressively and I informed [ ] via the radio that we needed to move now.

Because the vehicle continued toward our motorcade in an aggressive manner [ ] fired a disabling burst into the grill of the vehicle from the [ ] and the vehicle still continued toward us. At this time our team was in great fear for our lives and [ ] and [ ] fired multiple lethal rounds at the one visible occupant (the driver) and the vehicle swerved and came to a stop approximately 20 meters behind our motorcade.

The traffic to the front of our motorcade started to move out of the roadway and we were then able to continue to move away from the threat vehicle. I immediately informed Tuscon Base via our radio of the situation and told them that we had engaged an aggressive vehicle that we deemed a threat with multiple rounds and that there were no casualties on our team.

Our motorcade continued back to the REO with no further incidents and informed the RSO (Regional Security Officer) of the chain of events in this incident.

This report was done by [ ] Team Leader [ ]

#### Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

Rounds fired from [ ] and [ ] into grill of vehicle to disable, vehicle continued and the driver was engaged.

#### Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any follow up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Pending any other action taken by the RSO's Investigative unit.

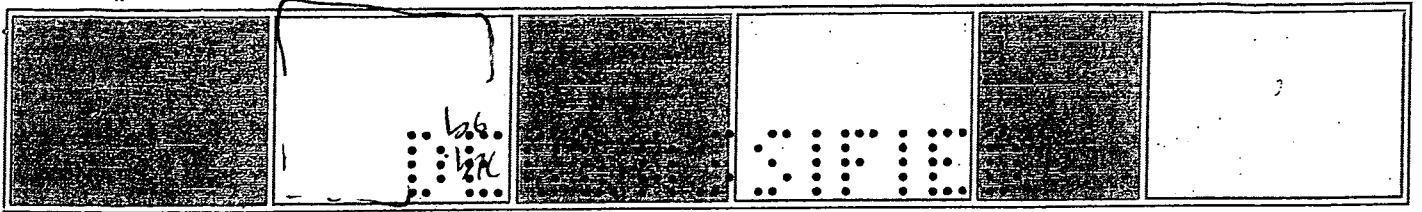
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I, [REDACTED], hereby make the following statement at the request of  
MICHAEL J. STUTZMAN, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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[REDACTED] After being hired by Blackwater, I attended the Blackwater/U.S. State Department DSS High Threat Protection Course. After successfully completing the DSS High Threat Protection Course I was selected to attend further training to become certified as a U.S. State Department Basic Field Firearms Instructor. Upon successful completion of the U.S. State Department Basic Field Firearms Course, I deployed to Baghdad, Iraq to work for Blackwater as an Independent Contractor doing high threat protection for the U.S. State Department. While working in Iraq as an Independent Contractor for the past year, I have worked as a door gunner, driver, and shift leader.

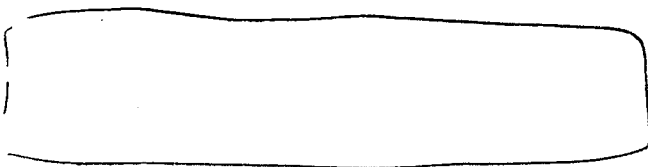
On February 07, 2006, I was working out of the U.S. Embassy in Kirkuk (REO), as a follow vehicle driver for (An advance/QRF Team. b2  
At approximately 1526 hours, I was called to go out on a disabled

vehicle recovery mission to assist [redacted] who was out on a motorcade movement. [redacted] was on a motorcade movement back to Kirkuk from Sulaymaniyah, Iraq (With Principals). When one of their vehicles became mechanically disabled. After a short brief from our team leader, [redacted] we departed from the U.S. Embassy (REO) grounds and headed toward [redacted] location. We linked up with [redacted] on Route 4 (ASR [redacted]) just outside of the Iraqi Army checkpoint on the Eastern edge of the city. [redacted] was towing their lead vehicle with their follow vehicle. After making a U-turn and pulling in behind [redacted] motorcade, our lead and K-9 vehicle took over protection of [redacted] limo and headed back to the U.S. Embassy (REO). I pulled in behind the disabled vehicle, which was still being towed, to provide rear security while it was being towed back to the REO. While enroute back to the REO we encountered very heavy vehicle traffic along our designated route. As we maneuvered along our route to [redacted] we became completely stopped in heavy traffic. I had turned on my vehicles rear flashers to assist in alerting drivers behind us to stay back. The rear of our follow vehicle is also equipped with decals written in Arabic and English warning vehicles to keep back 100 meters. With the combination of the use of my rear flasher's, the decal warning, and the additional use of our rear door gunner's traffic was stopped approximately 100-110 meters behind us.

While still stopped at this location I heard one of the rear door gunners yell that a vehicle had maneuvered around the other stopped vehicles and that it was rapidly coming up behind us. Both the left rear door gunner [redacted] and the right rear door gunner [redacted] cracked their doors in order to issue visual and verbal commands to the driver of the vehicle to stop. I briefly looked in my driver's side and rear view mirrors and observed that the vehicle was still rapidly coming up behind us. I heard [redacted] and [redacted] continuously yelling loud verbal commands back at the driver of the vehicle as it continued toward us. As the vehicle continued aggressively toward us I heard [redacted] and [redacted] fire disabling shots at the vehicle. I then heard one of them yell that the vehicle was still coming at us and I then heard additional disabling shots being fired at the vehicle. Due to the fact that we were still stationary in traffic and our entire motorcade was unable to move forward, I quickly glanced in my mirrors again and observed that the vehicle was still coming up behind us aggressively. I then heard multiple shots being fired by [redacted] and our well gunner [redacted]. At this point I glanced back into both of my mirrors and observed that the vehicle was approximately 20-25 meters behind us. It should be noted that when our motorcade came to a stop in the heavy traffic, I had left 10-15 meters between the front of my vehicle and the rear of [redacted] vehicles in front of us to allow for an escape route if needed. When I observed that the vehicle had closed to within 20-25 meters to our rear and was

still rolling toward us I began to slowly move my follow vehicle forward in anticipation of a bomb blast from the closing vehicle. As I did so I observed the vehicle swerve up onto the center median and come to a stop. By this time traffic in front of us started to clear and our motorcade was able to maneuver through the traffic and out of the area. We proceeded back to the REO without further incident.

Per Special Agent Will Noone's request as to the approximate time of the above incident, I estimate the time to be between 1600 hours and 1620 hours.



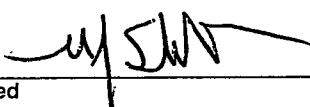
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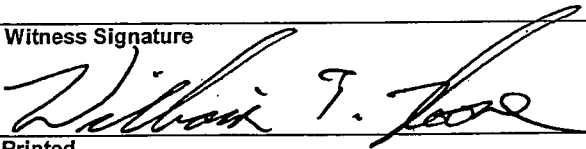
I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# Sworn Statement

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## Introductory Paragraph:

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In June 2004 I attended Blackwater Security Consulting's Department of State class DS1. After successfully completing the course requirements, I deployed to Baghdad, Iraq in July of 2004 as part of the Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service, Iraqi Protective Detail - Blackwater. I have worked in Baghdad and Kirkuk Iraq for 18 months as a member of a protective detail. During this time I have served on dozens of protective detail assignments.

Report: On Tuesday, February 7th, at 15:26, [Redacted] (the team I am currently serving with) was notified that [Redacted] had an inoperable vehicle that was being towed back from Sulaymaniyah. [Redacted] staged vehicles, got a hood to brief of the situation, checked blue force

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trackers and departed in support of [ ] Follow vehicle load plan was; [ ]

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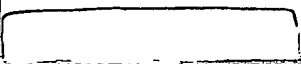
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vehicle (acting as the follow of a [ ] car motorcade) back to Kirkuk Regional Embassy Office (REO). [ ] follow remained in the follow position escorting the towed vehicle. We were en route back to the Kirkuk REO when traffic came to a stop. Local National vehicles were to the left, right and front within a few car lengths. Traffic to the rear was stopped about 75 to 100 meters to the rear (follow vehicle has a sign on the rear to stay back 100 meters in English and Arabic). I was watching my sector when the PSS in the well called out a threat to the rear.. I turned to the rear and observed an orange and white taxi, approximately 75 meters to the rear, with one occupant driving towards [ ] follow vehicle. I opened my door and issued verbal and visual commands to stop. The vehicle continued toward our motorcade. I issued verbal and visual commands for the aggressive vehicle to stop again. The aggressive vehicle continued to close the distance. I fired one disabling shot into the grill of the aggressive vehicle from my [ ] issued [ ] rifle. The Right rear Personal Security Specialist (PSS) also fired a round into the grill. The aggressive vehicle continued directly towards us. After a pause, I fired another disabling shot into the grill. The vehicle continued directly towards our motorcade. Considering the aggressive behavior of the driver, BOLO's (Be On the Look Out for) on orange and white taxis, failure of the driver to heed verbal, visual warnings, failure of the driver to stop after multiple disabling shots, I feared for my life and the lives of my Team mates. At that point, I fired at the driver and could see the impacts on the windshield directly in front of the driver. The aggressive vehicle swerved to the left, righted itself and appeared to accelerate directly towards us again. I fired several more rounds at the driver. The Aggressive vehicle continued toward us. At that point the aggressive vehicle was approximately 20 meters from the follow vehicle. I fired the remainder of my magazine into the driver of the aggressive vehicle as it continued toward us. The right rear PSS and well PSS engaged the aggressive vehicle with multiple shots, all at about the same time. At that point the aggressive vehicle swerved into the center median and came to a stop. I replaced the magazine in my [ ] with a full one. The Shift Leader immediately radioed the TOC and reported that defensive shots were fired and we had no team members injured. We returned to Kirkuk REO with no further incident.. Nothing Follows. The remainder of this page has been intentionally left blank.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address	Kirkuk Regional Embassy Office Protective Detail

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_7th\_ day of  
\_\_February\_\_, 2006.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# Sworn Statement

Date	07 February 2006	Time	1618 HRS.
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At [redacted]			

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I, [redacted] (Shooter), hereby make the following statement at the request of [redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the [redacted]

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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took a contract with Blackwater Security Consultants. I received training in operating as a member of a protective detail. The training mirrored those used to train special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. After training I was sent to Kirkuk, Iraq as part of Blackwater Security Consultants contract with the Department of State. I have been working in Kirkuk as a member of a protective detail for three months. During this time I have served on dozens of protective detail assignments. This is the \_\_\_\_\_ time I have had to fire my weapon while on such an assignment.

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On 07 February 2006 I was part of team \_\_\_\_\_ and assigned to ride in the right rear seat of the rear vehicle of a \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle motorcade. The vehicle was an armored Sports Utility Vehicle that was designed for the type of protective service mission we were on that day. There were four other people in the vehicle with me. This included a man operating a \_\_\_\_\_ mounted to the rear. I was armed with an \_\_\_\_\_ called an \_\_\_\_\_. This weapon was issued to me by the Department of State. During my military and police service I have had extensive training in the use of this type of weapon. I last qualified with this specific weapon, August 2005.

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Our mission this day was to recover team \_\_\_\_\_ disabled lead vehicle back to the Regional Embassy Office. The mission required us to leave the relative safety of the Regional Embassy Office and travel for several kilometers through a part of Kirkuk where a para-military force

hostile to the US presence in Iraq operate. Attacks on American military and civilians are common in this area.

On the back of our vehicle is a large sign that has painted on it in English and Arabic the words "KEEP BACK 100 METERS." Most local drivers heed this warning and stay back from the motorcade. It is important to keep vehicles away from a protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives. This tactic has caused hundreds of deaths in Baghdad. My company has lost 29 employees to such attacks.

On this day, our motorcade came upon a traffic jam and came to a stop. I opened my door, put my right foot on the running board and faced the rear of my vehicle directing all traffic to stop, take another route or to turn around. All traffic complied with my verbal and visual orders. b6  
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[redacted] (Rear [redacted]) announced that a vehicle was weaving through traffic approaching at a high rate of speed towards the motorcade from the rear. I saw a white with orange quarter panels colored taxi with a single male Iraqi National driver intentionally weaving through the traffic we had stopped. He continued to accelerate in a hostile manner directly towards our follow vehicle from the 12 o'clock position. I issued multiple verbal "kiff", and visual commands for the driver to stop while making direct eye contact with the driver. I tried to signal the vehicle with my high powered flash light, which is attached to my [redacted] by blinking it on and off. The driver of the b2 b7C aggressive vehicle repeatedly ignored my verbal and visual commands to stop and continued his hostile action. The vehicle was at a distance too far to throw a water bottle and continued to accelerate. I held up my gun and continued to yell for the driver to stop while flashing my high powered flashlight. The vehicle was now approximately 50 meters from our motorcade. I know that if the vehicle was carrying an explosive device and I allowed it to get within 25 meters of my vehicle the resulting explosion would kill the people in my vehicle and possibly others in the motorcade. The vehicle approached the 25 meter point at, which I felt that the vehicle was an imminent threat to me and the other Americans in my vehicle and convoy, due to the drivers speed, vehicle proximity, current regional threat level and specific threat level to Americans working in Iraq from Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices I then placed two well aimed rounds from my [redacted] with the aid of a b2 [redacted] into the vehicles engine block in an attempt to disable the vehicle. I accessed each round, which failed to stop the vehicle as it continued and accelerated towards our motorcade, fearing for my life and my teammates I then continued to fire my [redacted] center mass at the driver in an effort to render him incapable of operating a vehicle or detonating a bomb. I could hear over my radio the Shift Leader directing the lead

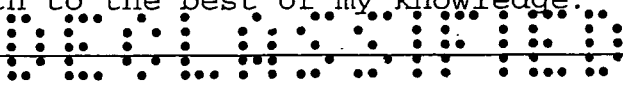

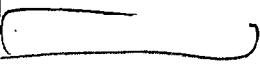
vehicle to move forwards and drive around the stopped traffic to get away from the oncoming vehicle.

We returned to the Regional Embassy Office without incident. I could hear over my radio that the shift leader was informing the Regional Security Office Tactical Operations Center about what had happened.

No further information at this time.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
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# Sworn Statement

Date	07 February 2006	Time	1618hrs.
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At [redacted] b2			

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I, [redacted] b6 b7C, hereby make the following statement at the request of [redacted] b6 b7C, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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I recently finished the the WPPS 2 re-qualification program at Blackwater Training Facility on [redacted]

I arrived in Baghdad on [redacted] and deployed to US Regional Embassy Kirkuk as a Protection Security Detail Specialist [redacted]

My awards in the military include the [redacted]

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On February 7<sup>th</sup> 2006 I [redacted] was involved in a shooting incident at approximately 1618hrs at vicinity grid [redacted]. While assigned a [redacted] (State Department Issued) for the fighting follow vehicle assigned to [redacted] I engaged in what I perceived to be a deadly threat to myself and fellow team members. Here is a summary of the events leading to the engagement. My vehicle had come to a halt with stopped traffic on the right side and other vehicles maintaining a 100 meter safe distance of their own accord as per the written warning on our vehicle. As traffic was holding a white and orange taxi maneuvered itself around the left side of traffic and passed other vehicles. This was perceived as suspicious actions as it was the only vehicle trying to over take traffic. The threat was identified to the gunners in the follow vehicle. At this time [redacted] left door gunner, cracked his door and signaled verbal/ hand and arm for the vehicle to keep distance. I was also signaling out the rear firing port with hand gestures for vehicle to yield. I estimate the vehicle to be approximately 60-70 meters at this time. At this time [redacted] right side door gunner, cracked his door and began waving his arms and yelling at the fast approaching vehicle trying his best to warn the driver away. The vehicle continued to approach and at that time [redacted] and [redacted] engaged with two single rounds to the grill of the vehicle each. This was not done simultaneously as first [redacted] then [redacted] fired the warning shots with a brief pause between shooters. The vehicle appeared to make a slight turn motion then straightened out and continued on a direct course for the follow vehicle. The door gunners left and right then engaged with multiple rounds at the vehicle. That is when in my assessment I needed to engage the vehicle with a three (3) round burst from the [redacted] center mass into the grill and engine block of the vehicle. I then assessed the situation and re-engaged with another 3 round burst into the engine compartment as the vehicle continued it's path forwards. Vehicle continued to advance so I fired a burst center mass at the driver with lethal force. The vehicle then slowed and rolled to the left and came to rest on the medium. As per our SOP engagement rules I withheld fire from the [redacted] until it had become clear it was the absolute last resort and that every means including warning shots from the door gunners had been ignored. I served on Team [redacted] in a high threat PSD environment in Baghdad for six months as team member and shift leader. I took pride that our team never had to fire during that tour. I will add that in those six months I never felt as threatened or scared for our safety as during this shoot. All three seasoned veterans perceived the same level of threat and acted within every aspect of the rules of engagement. The entire shoot used the use of force continuum exactly as it was meant to be used. Each action of the force continuum




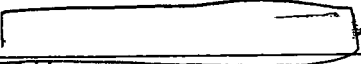
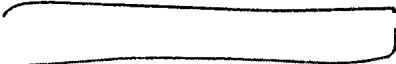
was assessed by the gunners and weighed before escalation. We returned to Regional Embassy Office Kirkuk without further incident.

No further information at this time.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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Exposing the incident

According to the information we got for killing incident in Rahimawa market and the victims name are (Khalid Mohammad Qadir and Nizam Qadir Mohammad) because of that I went to the incident place and I see the following:

- 1- I see the both victim's dead bodies in incident place and the both infected by many shots.
- 2- I see two cars the license numbers are; 6258 Kirkuk/ corona ski and 10434 temporarily test Kirkuk in the place of the incident and the cars were affected by many fire shots.
- 3- I did not find any cartridge in the incident place.
- 4- I did not see any thing else, so I end my exposing and I submitted it.

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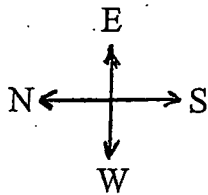
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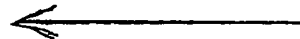
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Taxi belong to victim Khalid Mahmud Nadir  
Car plate number 6258 Ta'amim/ Iraq



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Middle of the street /

Road lead to the center of the city



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Nizam Qadir Mohammad  
Car plate number is  
10434 test Kirk

Passengers  
Transportation  
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Signed by  
Investigator Officer

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Police station / Rahimawa

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Witness deposition;

Name: [redacted]

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DOB: [redacted]

He live in Rahimawa / inside Rahimawa market transcendent houses

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Occupation: worker

He said the following:

Today evening when I was going to home, when I passed from vehicle garage to the main street I see three black cars; I can't remember the plate license number, they open fire on the civilian people and I lying on the ground after they left, I see dead body on the ground and after I kook to him we see another dead body in opposite street. This is my deposition

Witness signed

Investigator / sworn officer

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Witness deposition;

Name: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

Occupation: Student in Kurdistan High school in Kirkuk, Rahimawa behind vehicle garage

Number of the mobile phone: [redacted]

He said the following:

Today evening after I got out fro Khalid Bin Walled mosque after completing the prior and when I arrived at intersection of Rahimawa market, I see three black cars went I couldn't get the plate numbers, they open fire randomly on the civilian, because of that I lying at the time on the ground with other people group after they left declared that they killed two, this is my deposition.

Witness signed

Investigator / sworn officer

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Car Damages Report:

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Upon the shooting on the Corona model 1981 No.6258/Iraq -Tammim/ Taxi, vehicle we have prepared this damages report:

1. Gunshot halls in the front class of 26 shots in the driver & the riders sides.
2. Gunshot halls in the front cover of 23 shots.
3. Gunshot halls in the front prop of 3shots.
4. Gunshot halls in the right side of the car 6shots.
5. Front wheels damaged due to shots.
6. Back window broken totally in addition to the right side front & back set windows.
7. Blood on the front sets & driving wheel.
8. Glass pieces inside the car.
9. Gunshot halls went through the car.
10. According to examination we have found out that the car was shoot from the front & the shots went through.
11. There is hit to another car from the front &right.

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Col. Head of Qurya police station

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Director of Kirkuk city police

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Rahimawa Police station /Kirkuk  
7<sup>th</sup> February 2006

To Kirkuk Investigation Judge:

1. At 17:00 today two cars, 6258/Tammim/Taxi Corona driver Khalid Mohammad Nadir & 10434/Kirkuk test Astra driver Nizam Qader Mohammad, were shoot at from three black GMC, suburban with shaded windows causing the death of the two drivers.
2. The corps of the two drivers was sent to Juridical Medical Profession.
3. The plan for incident place was taken & attached to the papers.
4. The testimony of two witnesses, \_\_\_\_\_ was taken. They both witness that three vehicles shot random shoots towered the two cars causing the death of the two drivers. No one was able to write down the numbers of the two vehicles. b6 b7c
5. The three vehicles run to unknown direction after admitting the crime.
6. We would like you to observe the papers for your further instructions.
7. We are sending you witness \_\_\_\_\_ to write down his testimony legally. b6 b7c

Seen on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2006

Investigator:

1. Witness \_\_\_\_\_ called he wasn't present.
2. The claim of the claimers to be written.
3. Reports of the Juridical Medical Profession to be attached with the papers. b6 b7c
4. Interviewing witness \_\_\_\_\_ legal documentation.
5. Mechanical check on the two cars of the victims.
6. Investigation to be according to article 406 Penalties.
7. To be send to the General Prosecutor

8<sup>th</sup> February 2006.

Investigator / sworn officer

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Rahimawa police station  
Number: 578  
Date: 07 / February / 2006

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To: Kirkuk city Police Directorate / operations  
Subject: Incident Exposing

At time 1700 evening on 07 / February / 2006 affect to open fire two cars; first number 6258 Ta'amim type Corona taxi the drive victim Khalid Mohammad Nadir DOB 1951 resident of Rahimawa, the second car number 10434 temporarily test Kirkuk type Opal aster the driver victim Nizam Qadir Mohammad DOB 1968 resident at Rahimawa, from three cars type suburban GMC black color dark window, no plate license which caused killing of the both drivers above in Rahimawa market and the accused runaway after they did that incident to unknown direction. The exposing and design for the place of incident and both cars showed there is mark of fire shots on it.

We wrote down the witnesses depositions of [ ] and [ ] they confirmed that the passenger of the three cars opened fire randomly in the Rahimawa market and the both mentioned above had been killed immediately, the both dead bodies sent to the medical profession to know the fact reason for the death. The claim registered under number 23, the investigator sworn officer [ ] please review it and we will update you on judge decision by another memo. Regards,

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Signed  
Police Brigadier general

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Director of Rahimawa police station  
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Noone, William T (Baghdad)

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From: Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk)  
Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2006 11:01 AM  
To: Noone, William T (Baghdad)  
Subject: FW: KDP Statement about Rahimawa Kirkuk Shooting Incident

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From: Dean, R. Scott  
Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2006 10:44 AM  
To: Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk); Park, Joyce K (Baghdad); Makel, Kevin B  
Cc: Hunter, James J; Wise, Thomas W; Bodine, Anne C (Baghdad); Crane, Calvin A (Baghdad); Hawaiz, Aram S; Haji, Karim  
Subject: FW: KDP Statement about Rahimawa Kirkuk Shooting Incident

Thank you, Karim.

From: Haji, Karim  
Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2006 10:30 AM  
To: Dean, R. Scott  
Cc: Hunter, James J; Makel, Kevin B  
Subject: KDP Statement about Rahimawa incident

**Statement from office of the human rights**

With deep contrition, it is while some of the armed guards in coalition forces vehicles when the people get close to their vehicles they open fire on the people and they harming them lives. Today afternoon several cars in Rahimawa neighborhood opened fire and they martyr two Kurdish citizens, the both were members of KDP (Nizam Qadir Mohammad and Khalid Mahmud Nadir) and wounded another [redacted] b6 b7c  
We in the office of human rights condemn this behavior, we asking for investigation and charging the accused and those whom responsible.  
On the other side we asking the victim's families and all people to be patient and let the government staff investigate in this incident.

Office of human rights and  
Anti corruption  
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February 7, 2006

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Memo # 1

From Directorate of vehicles Kirkuk police to Rahimawa police station t the subject inspection car VIN# TT152-110176 license plates # 6258 Ta'amim make Corona model 1980 color white and orange.

Description:

- Holes on motor cover 21, front window 22, front door 2, front car unti-mud 5, all windows fracturing, fracturing radiator and there is many holes, damage front door, fiat both front tires and a lot hole in the motor and its parts.

Memo # 2

From Directorate of vehicles Kirkuk police to Rahimawa police station t the subject inspection car VIN# WOL000058R501072 license plates # 10434 test Kirkuk make Opal astral model 1991 color red.

- Hole in back of the car and hole in the unti-mud front of the car,

Memo # 3

Police station of Rahimawa

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Injured deposition;

Name; [redacted] his occupation is [redacted] in Erbil, he is resident in [redacted] neighborhood/Kirkuk, He said he got shot in his lift log.

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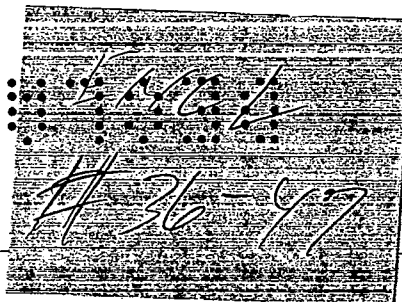
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Memo to the Kirkuk investigator judge about;

1. The deposition of the wetness [redacted] and [redacted]
2. Injured [redacted] comes to our office and he has with him medical report and got shot in his left log.
3. we sending to you the witnesses [redacted] and [redacted]
4. We did inspections for the both cars.
5. tell now we did not get the necropsy from the hospital
6. We send all paperwork to you.

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Memo # 5

Police station of Rahimawa  
07/ February / 2006

Memo about autopsy of the dead body Nizam Qadir Mohammad;

- We see his body on the table
- His age 32 years old
- We see place of fire shot in his body
- He has shaved his chin and he is wear shirt and black T-shirt

Memo # 6

Police station of Rahimawa  
07/ February / 2006

Memo about autopsy of the dead body Khalid Mahmud Nadir;

- We see his body on the table
- His age 55 years old
- His was affected by many fire shots in his body
- He was wear pants blue and army t-shirt with shirt brown
- He had with him ID issued by KDP

Memo # 7

Health Directorate of Kirkuk Province

Memo number: 2/297

07 / February / 2006

This memo is submitted from above office to the police station of Rahimawa;

This is the medical profession report; the medical profession exam for the dead body  
Khalid Mahmud Qadir showed the following;

- Got shot on up an low and chest and stomach and it out from back and low back
- Broke bone of right hand and shot in and out right leg.
- Strong cerebral hemorrhage
- Bleeding in side the chest and in stomach
- Break bon right hand.

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- He dead because of strong bleeding inside the chest happened by fire shot
- Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ surgeon doctor. 606

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Memo # 12

Kirkuk investigation court

12/February/2006

Witness deposition;

his address Kirkuk

occupation

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He swore front of the judge and he said;

On 07/Feb, /2006 around 4: 15 pm local time I was driving my pickup double seats white color in Rahimawa area (Erbil road) I saw three black cars GMC suburban first one towing second and the third behind them and the doors behind driver open, then the person who set behind the driver opened fire on people,

He has another report from Rahimawa police station and almost is same words,

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**Noone, William T (Baghdad)**

**From:** Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2006 10:25 AM  
**To:** Noone, William T (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** FW: info on Rahimawa victims

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**From:** Hawaiz, Aram S  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2006 10:20 AM  
**To:** Dean, R. Scott; Makel, Kevin B; Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk); Wise, Thomas W; Hunter, James J  
**Subject:** info on Rahimawa victims

On February 7, 2006, the American Forces opened fire on a civilian vehicle and killed a taxi driver, **Khalid Mahmood** and **Nazim Khalil** in Rahimawa (entirely Kurdish neighborhood) district in the north of Kirkuk.

Information on Martyr's families and a wounded guy:

**Martyr's Full Name:** Khalid Mahmood Nadir Qadir  
**DOB:** 1951  
**Occupation:** taxi driver  
**Martyr's Wife:**  
**Asia Net Mobile:**

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**Martyr's Children:**

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Note: his elder child is 26 year old

**Martyr's Full Name:** Nizam Qadir Mohamed Ahmed  
**DOB:** 1969  
**Occupation:** fitter, car repairer  
**Martyr's Wife:**  
**Asia Net Mobile:**

**Martyr's Children:**

- 1.
- 2.

**Wounded Man:**  
**DOB:**  
**Occupation:**  
**Martyr's Wife:**



When Mr. Michael Kevin received them yesterday, his father said that he left hospital and his condition is good now but he still in bed.

Note: all of them filed claims and they sent them to Kirkuk Provincial Council, in their claims which signed by their wives, they ask for: (I have copies of their claims) A

1. Identify and reveal doers (performers) of this evil action
2. Fair and transparent trial
3. Compensating family victims

Mr. Regional Coordinator, U.S. Regional Embassy Office, Kirkuk  
Subject: Memorandum  
Sender: Demonstrators of Rahimawa  
Date: February 12, 2006

Warm Greetings....

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*Political Assistant*  
*U.S. Regional Embassy Office, Kirkuk*

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Pickup  
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Red Opel

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of Travel

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DATED: 2/12/06

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- D = Witness #1
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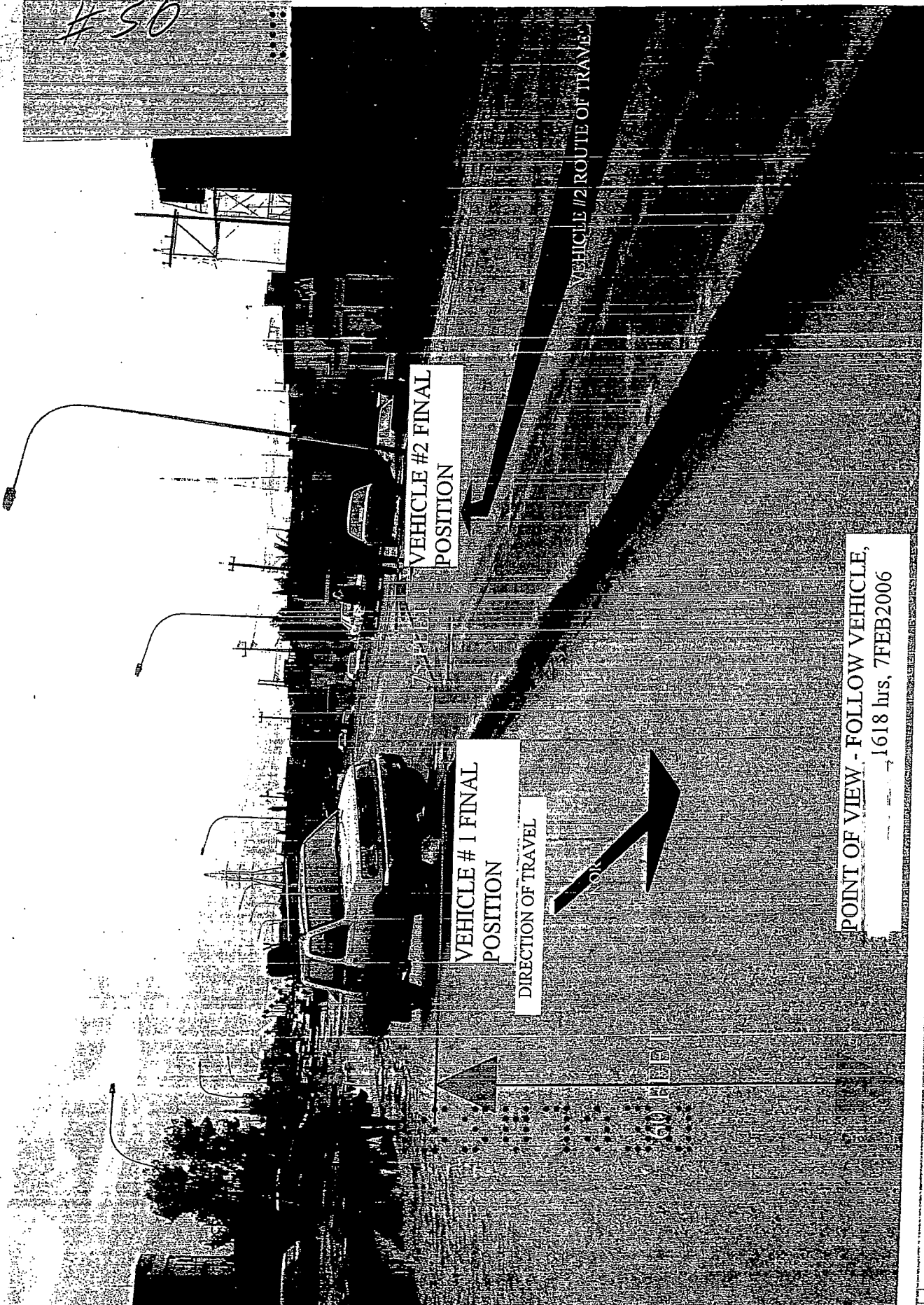
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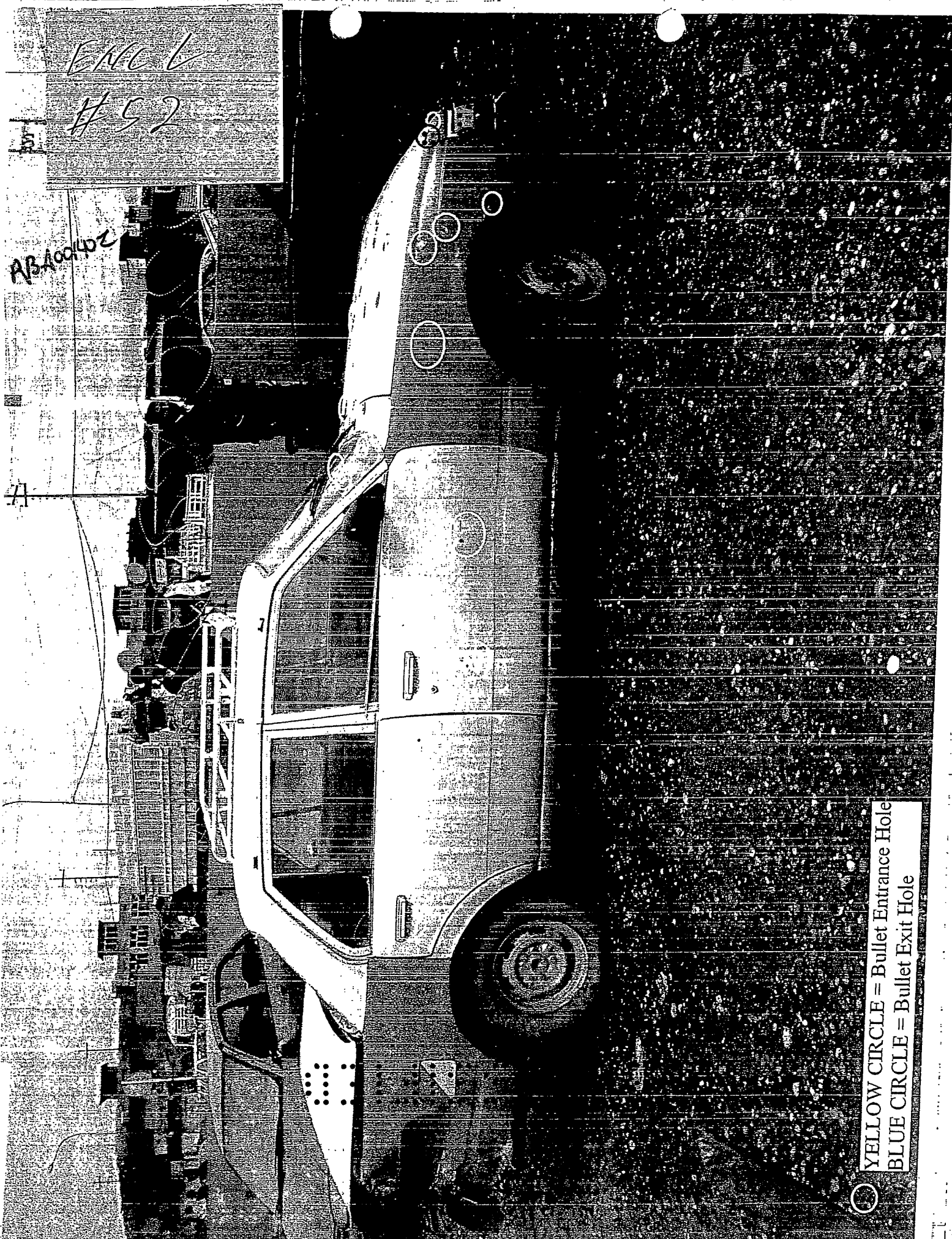
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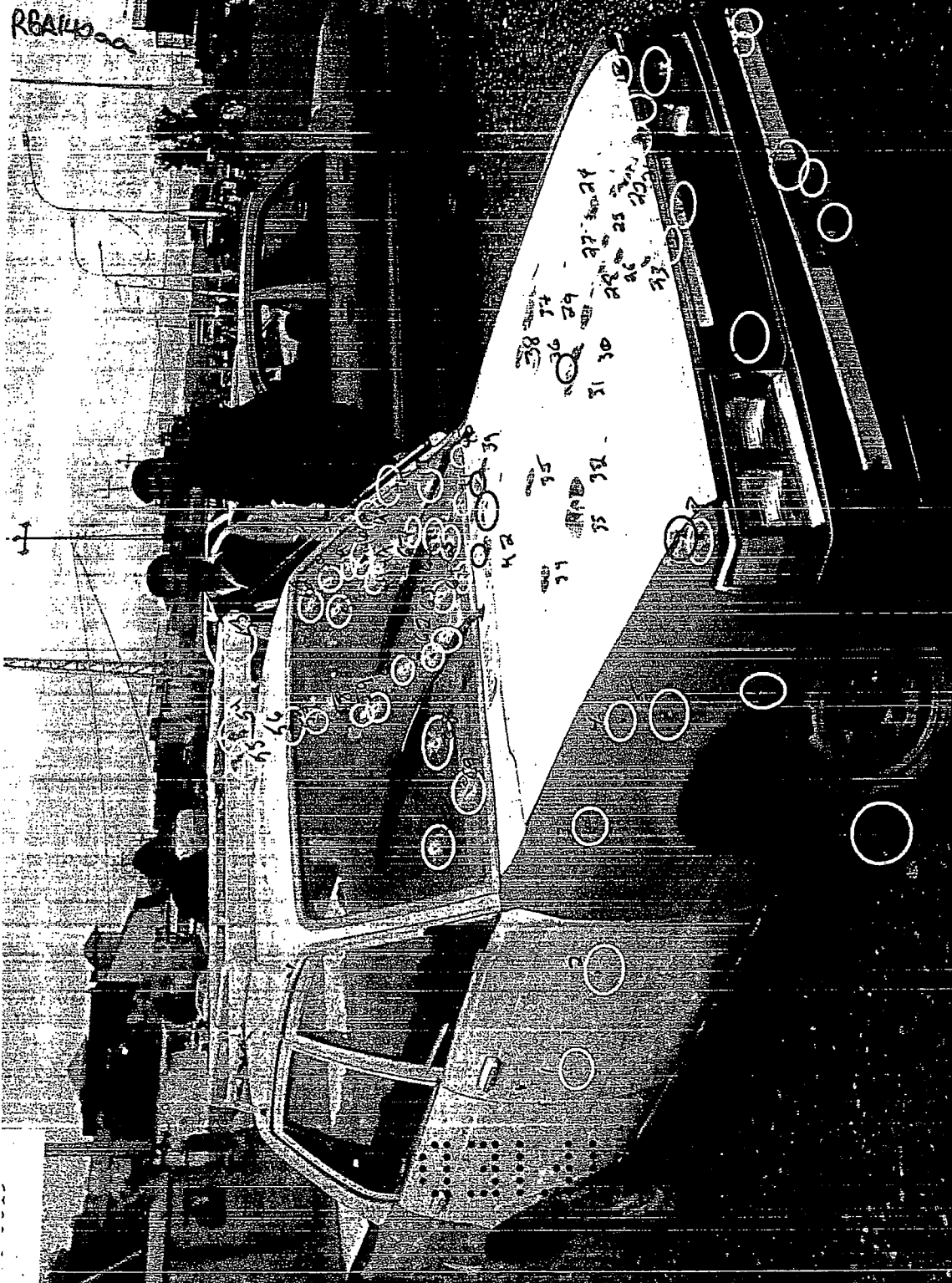
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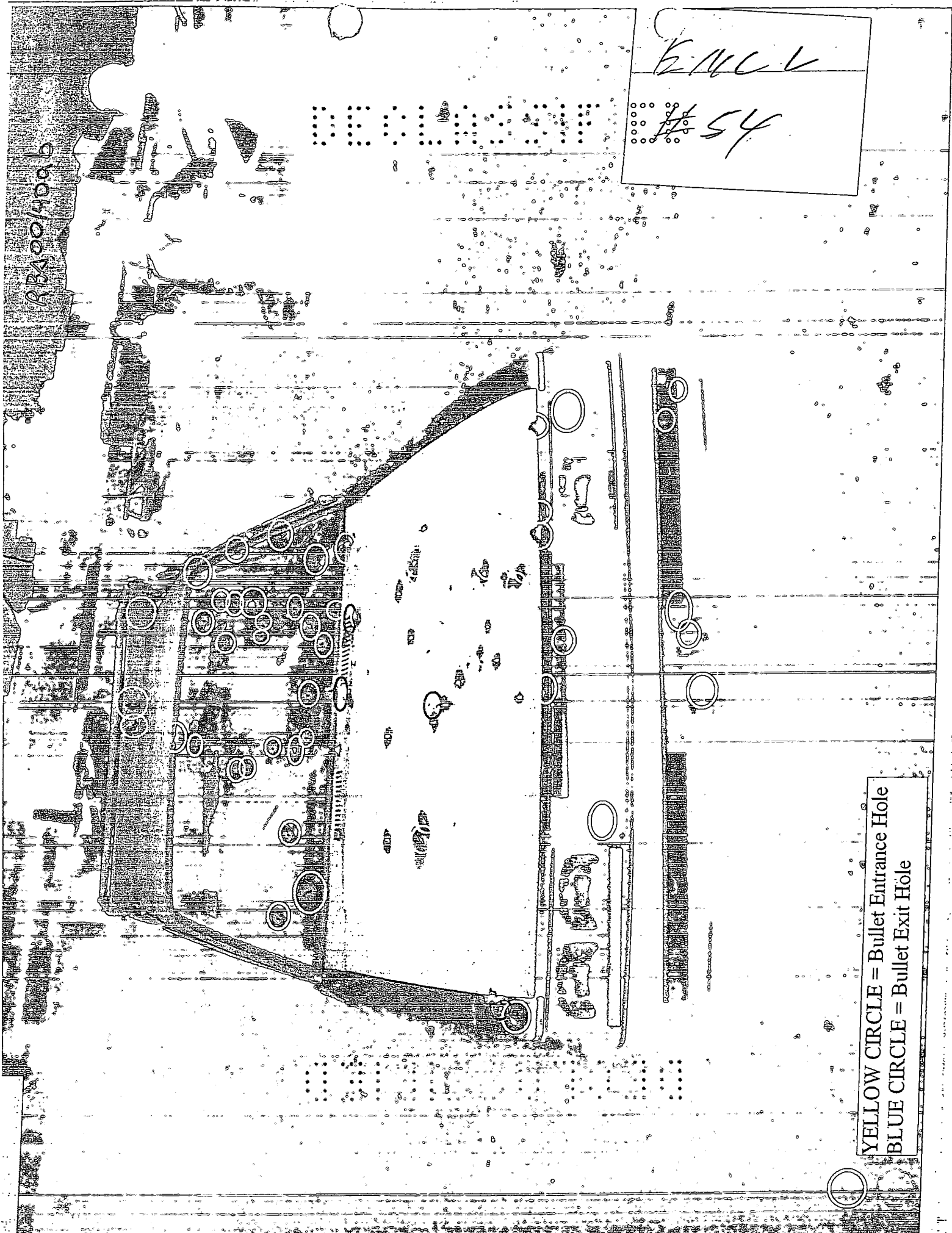
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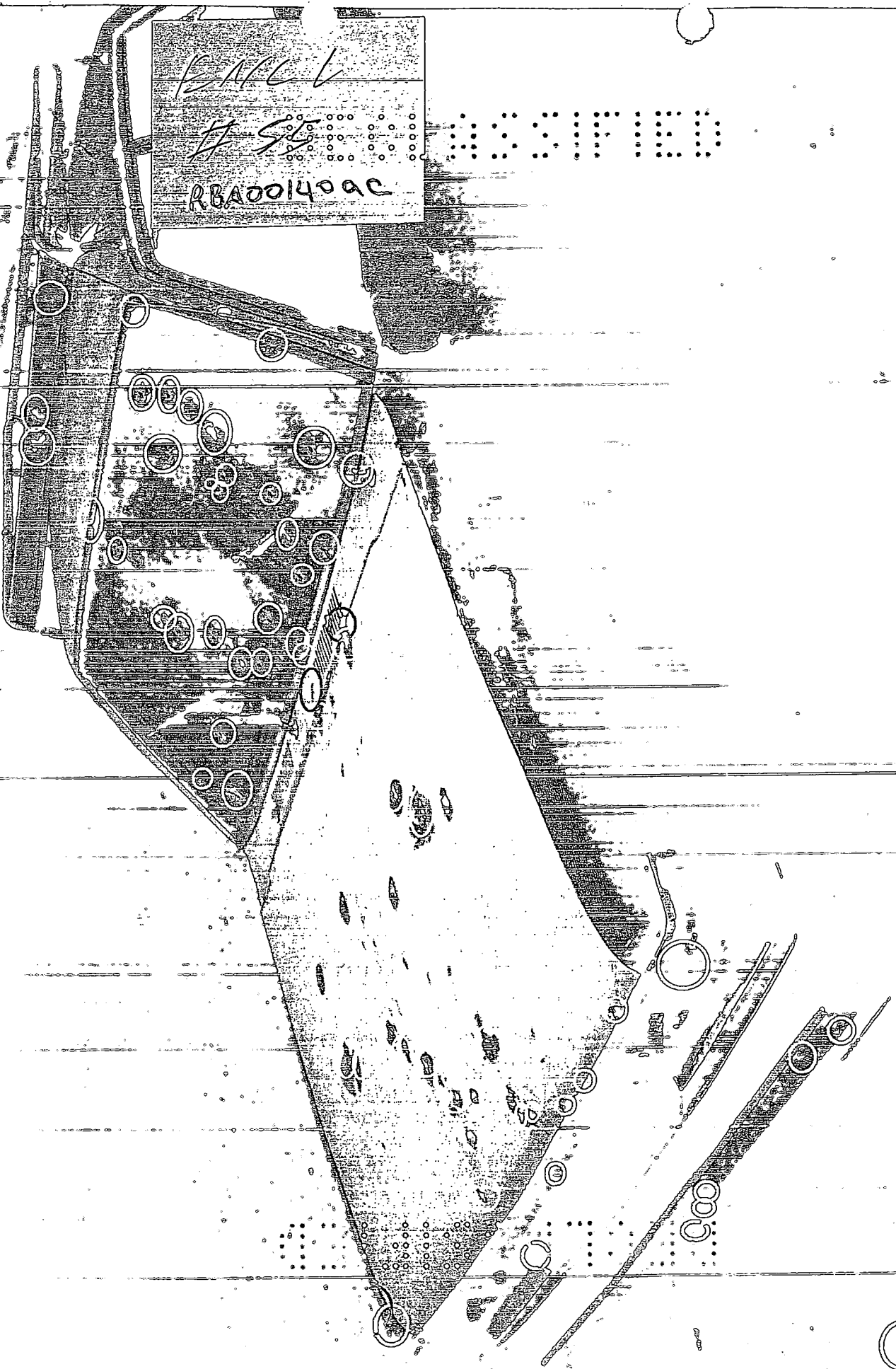
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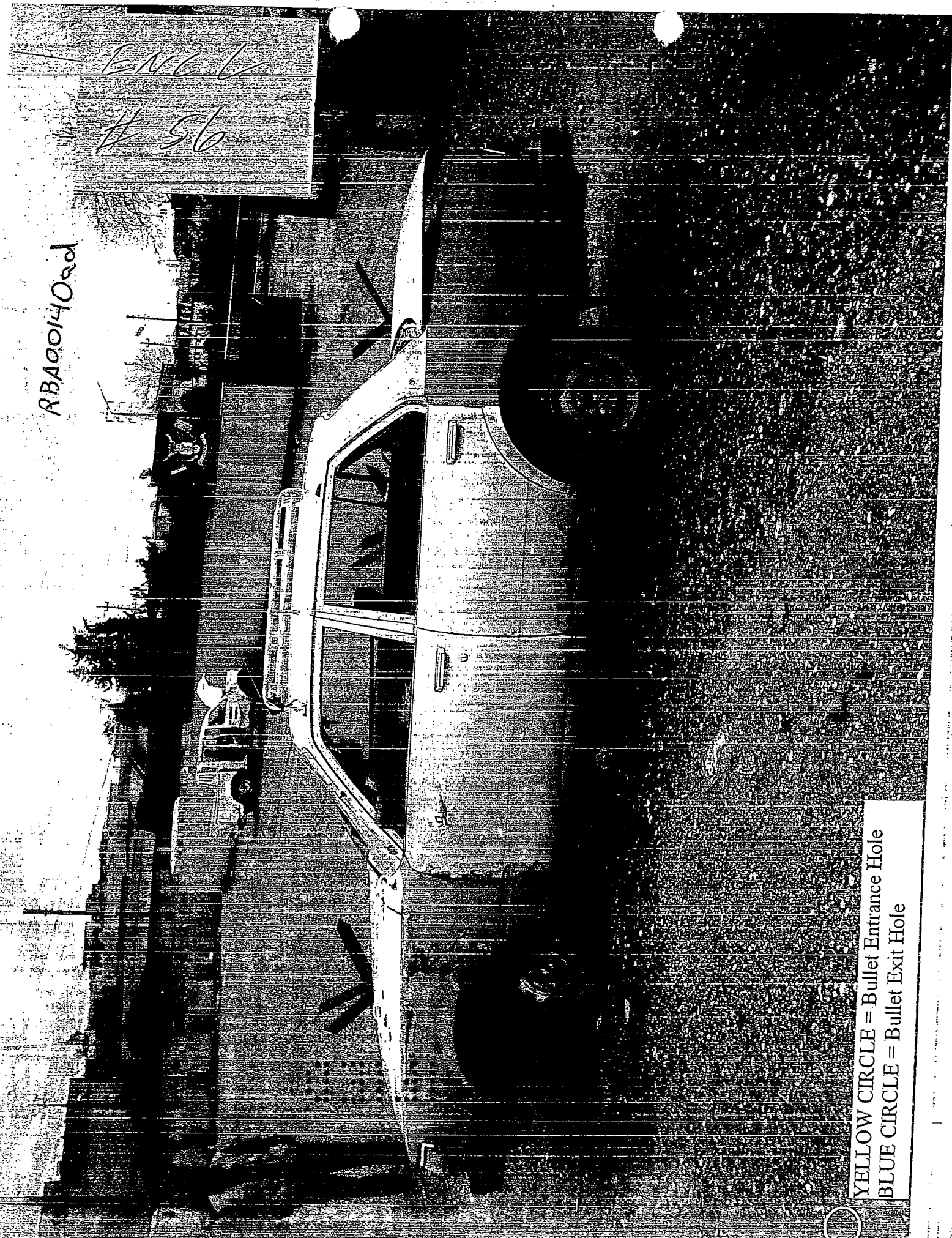


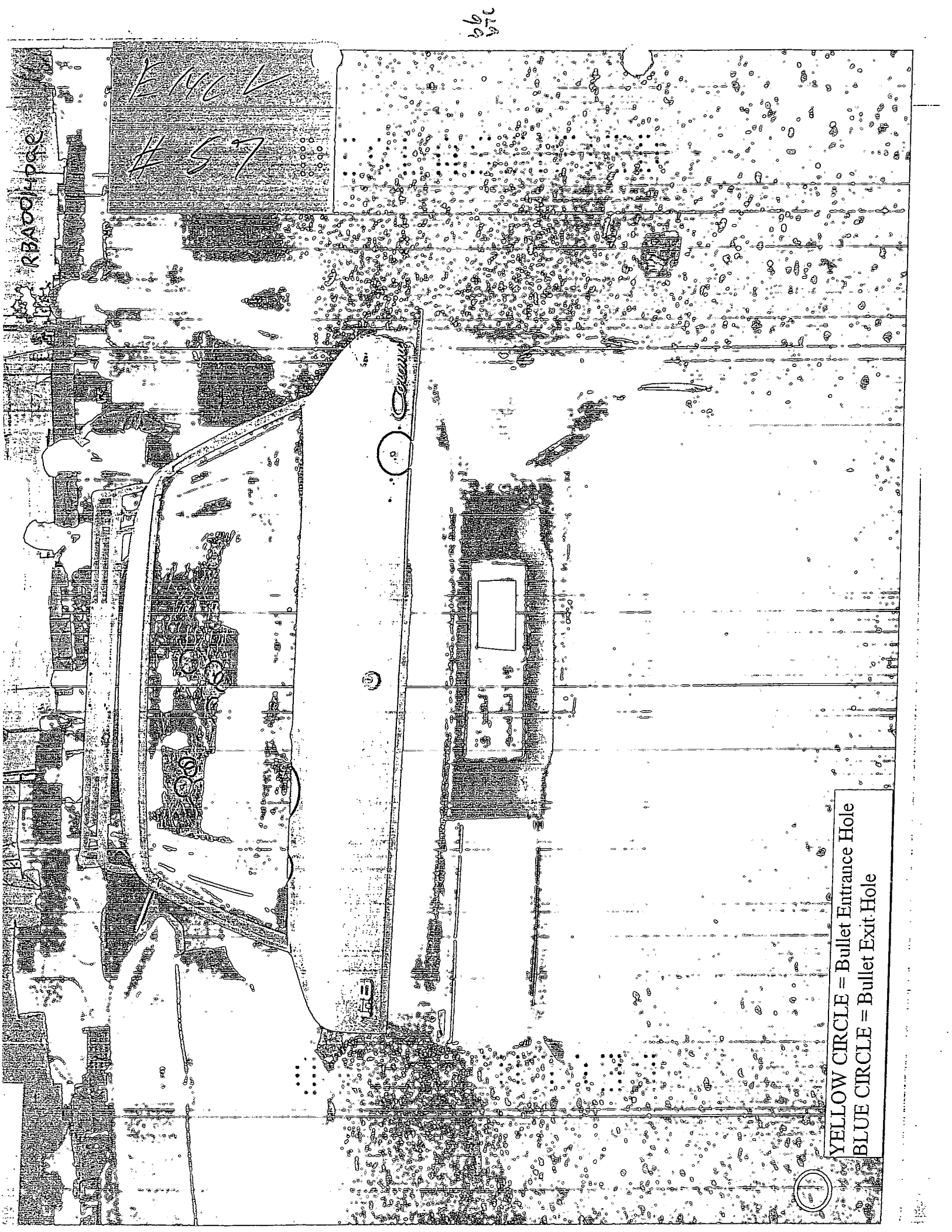
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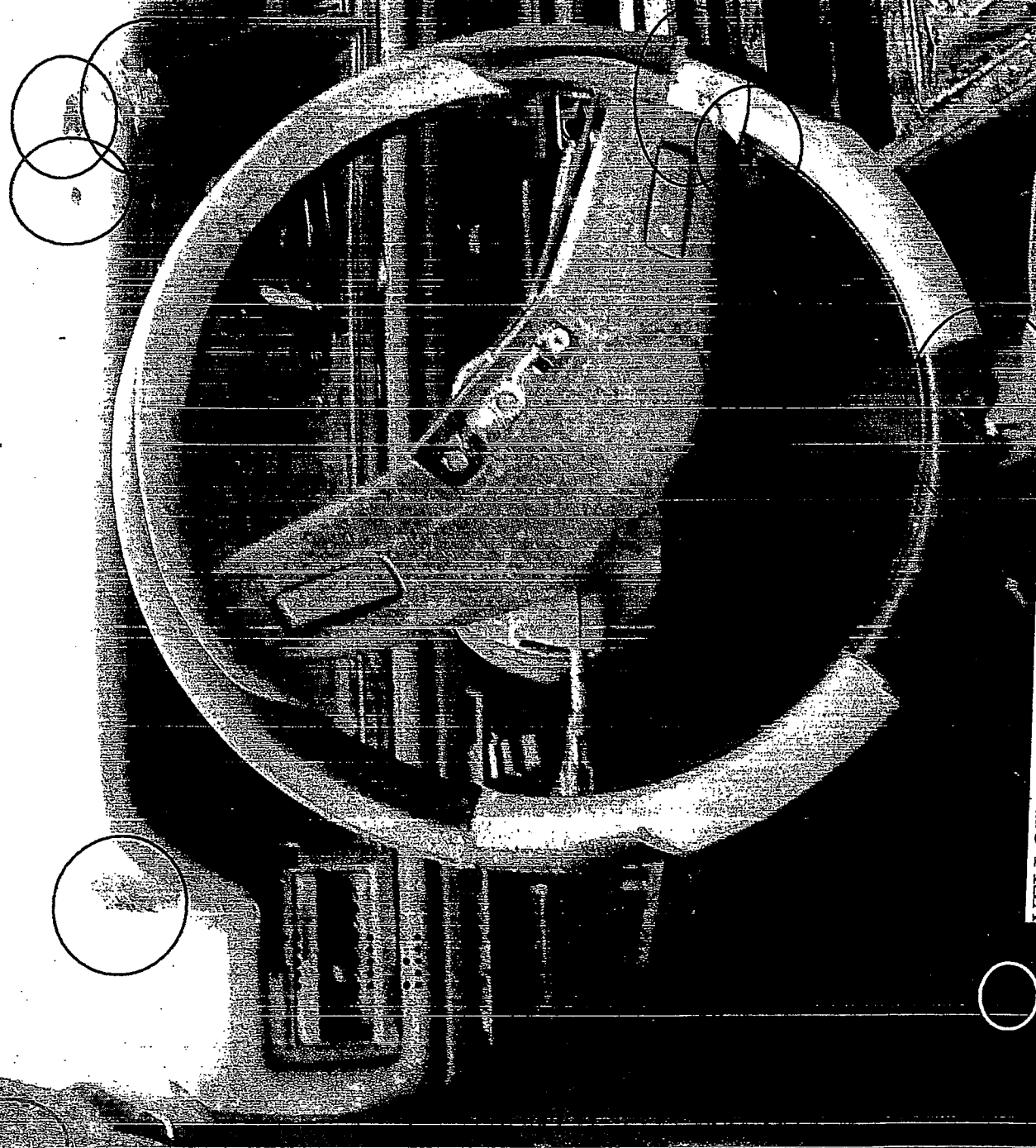
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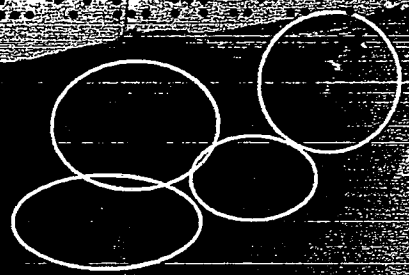
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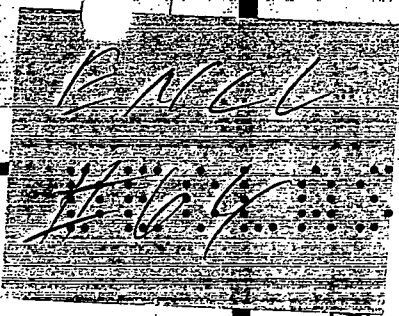
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TIRE SHOPS AND AUTO REPAIR GARAGES

WATER Puddle

DIRECTION OF TRAVEL

ROUTE OF TRAVEL

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METERS  
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RAHIMPOOR  
POLICE  
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FINAL SKETCH

DATED: 2/16/06

William T. Moore  
REPORTING AGENT

- A = SUBJECT #1
- B = SUBJECT #2
- C = SUBJECT #3
- D = WITNESS #1 "UNCONFIRMED LOCATION"
- E = WITNESS #2 "UNCONFIRMED LOCATION"
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*Second Branch PUK-Kirkuk*

**To: American Consulate / Honorable Kirkuk Office**

The Kurdish people, particularly the citizen of Kirkuk city, were the first converts to [help] coalition forces, which came to liberate Iraq from Saddam's inhuman regime and we have not failed to use any occasion to express thanks and gratitude to coalition forces for what they have done as a sacrifice and services for Iraq.

Unfortunately, an incident happened that because of rashness and inexactness caused innocent victims. Around 3:00 in the afternoon on Tuesday, February 07, 2006, American armed forces from (Black Water) which protect the American consulate in Kirkuk formed from GMC cars opened fire on some civilian in Rahimawa neighborhood which cause the martyring of two civilian immediately (Khalid Mahmud Nadir, DOB 1951, Taxi driver) and (Nizam Qadir Mohammad, DOB 1967) and wounded others. The investigations made known they were in a normal situation and unarmed and they were in work time.

At the same time, we criticize this unjustified assault, we hope this kind of incident never happens again which causes the killing of our innocent people, we demand right compensation for both victims' families and for the wounded people, and submission of an official apology to them.

We in the second branch for the PUK in Kirkuk believe the presence of the REO in Kirkuk is to the benefit of stability, of security and stabilizing the cohabitation and pushing the process of rebuilding forward, but we do not support and do not accept the killing without any right of our innocent people.

We request a just, quick and careful investigation on the event.

We demand putting into effect the particular rules of the human rights to necessary warrant before opening fire on the people, and launching new press campaigns to enlighten the people in this matter,

We hope this kind of event will not happen again in future to keep the relationship and unity [focused on the] objective of the destruction of terrorists and rebuilding Iraq.

We ask God to place both martyrs in heaven and give patience to their families, and we wish good health for the wounded people.

Second Branch PUK-Kirkuk  
Wednesday, February 08, 2006

Copy to:

- Kirkuk Province
- Kirkuk Provincial council
- British Consulate / Kirkuk office

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CASE NUMBER: 2006-0019

REPORTING AGENTS NOTES

On 10 February 2006 at 1000 hrs Special Agent William T. NOONE, Diplomatic Security Service, Assistant Regional Security Officer, American Embassy Baghdad herein referred to as Reporting Agent (RA) and Special Agent Michael CYGRYMUS, Diplomatic Security Service, Assistant Regional Security Officer, American Embassy Baghdad interviewed [redacted] Commander, Task Force 2-327 Infantry, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, based at Forward Operating Base "Warrior", Kirkuk Iraq, IRAQNA [redacted] as to the chain of events following the reported PSD shooting of an Iraqi citizen dated 7 February 2006. [redacted] stated:

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- Approximately 1630 hrs, 7 February 2006, 2-327 Tactical Operations Center (TOC) was notified by Liaison Officer, (LNO) assigned to Iraqi Police Station of a shooting incident involving Iraqi civilians and vehicles.
- 2-327 TOC informed [redacted] of shooting.
- No U.S. Soldiers were present when shooting incident occurred.
- Approximately 1700 hrs [redacted] visited the incident location (victims and vehicles were removed from scene) then continued to local Iraqi Police Station to meet with Iraqi Police and LNO who first reported shooting incident.
- [redacted] did not visit incident location because vehicles and victims were removed from scene. An angry crowd had gathered at location of incident.
- [redacted] spoke with Iraqi Police Chief and LNO for approximately 45-75 minutes.
- Two Local Iraqi civilians killed (driver and passenger of taxi) Identities unknown
- One Local Iraqi injured (driver of Maroon Opel Sedan) Identity and extent of injuries unknown.
- Two vehicles damaged; Vehicle #1 - White and Orange painted taxi cab. Vehicle #2 - Maroon Opel Sedan.

[redacted] forwarded (3) photos of Vehicle #1 and a document, (Classified). [redacted]  
[redacted] would contact Iraqi Police Chief, LNO and hospital to assist in obtaining

Police Reports, Hospital Report and witness statements. . . . . would also  
arrange meetings with Iraqi Police Chief and witnesses. . . . .

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**From:** Pryer, Christopher E (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2006 11:21 AM  
**To:** Noone, William T (Baghdad)  
**Cc:** Becht, Matthew R (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** RE: info on Rahimawa victims

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This might be a lot to ask from the Iraqi police and doctors but do we have any close-up photos of the entry and exit wound of the Opel driver? I'm sure you know where I'm going with this. It would be nice to know if this was a ricochet or a direct shot.

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**From:** Noone, William T (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2006 11:12 AM  
**To:** Pryer, Christopher E (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** FW: info on Rahimawa victims

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**From:** Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2006 10:25 AM  
**To:** Noone, William T (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** FW: info on Rahimawa victims

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**From:** Hawaiz, Aram S  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2006 10:20 AM  
**To:** Dean, R. Scott; Makel, Kevin B; Stutzman, Michael J (Kirkuk); Wise, Thomas W; Hunter, James J  
**Subject:** info on Rahimawa victims

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Information on Martyr's families and a wounded guy:

**Martyr's Full Name:** Khalid Mahmood Nadir Qadir  
**DOB:** 1951  
**Occupation:** taxi driver  
**Martyr's Wife:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Asia Net Mobile:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Martyr's Children:**

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Note: his elder child is 26 year old

**Martyr's Full Name:** Nizam Qadir Mohamed Ahmed

**DOB:** 1969

**Occupation:** fitter, car repairer

**Martyr's Wife:**

**Asia Net Mobile:**

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**Martyr's Children:**

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**Wounded Man:**

**DOB:** 1985

**Occupation:**

**Martyr's Wife:**

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When Mr. Michael Kevin received them yesterday, his father said that he left hospital and his condition is good now but he still in bed.

Note: all of them filed claims and they sent them to Kirkuk Provincial Council, in their claims which signed by their wives, they ask for: ( I have copies of their claims) A

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Mr. Regional Coordinator, U.S. Regional Embassy Office, Kirkuk

Subject: Memorandum

Sender: Demonstrators of Rahimawa

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*U.S. Regional Embassy Office, Kirkuk*

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No further information at this time.  
Please see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator's involved.

One round fired from [redacted] into engine block of aggressive vehicle.

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**Follow-Up Required**

Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.

**Operator(s)  
Involved**

**Vehicle(s)  
Involved**

Vehicle

**Team(s)  
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**Indirect  
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IPD Counter Assault Team

DSS Iraq Mission

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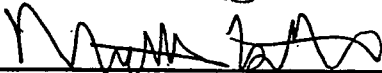


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Sworn Statement

Date 08 February 2006	Time 1305
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I was hired by Blackwater Security Consultants and was trained on performing personal security in high threat areas for the U.S Department of State. In [redacted] I arrived to Baghdad Iraq and was assigned to a Protective Security Detail. While On that particular detail for 6 months, I then transferred to the Counter Assault Team (CAT). The CAT team is responsible for the deterrence of any possible threat to a motorcade, and reaction to any possible situation that might take place while moving to/from a venue, or while sitting static on a venue. While on CAT, we have trained with the Army in tactics, and our Standard Operating Procedures with the way that CAT teams support different Protective Security Detail teams. When we have a day where there are no scheduled missions, my team trains on tactics, both vehicle-borne and on foot, to best prepare for any situation that might arise while conducting a mission. During my time in Baghdad, Iraq from [redacted] to present day I have had to discharge my weapon 3 times to mitigate a threat to our motorcade.

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On Wednesday, February 8th, at 0900, [redacted] (Iraq Protection Detail Counter Assault Team) staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission in direct support of [redacted] mission to the Central Bank of Iraq [redacted]. The brief was conducted in accordance with [redacted] standard operating procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple VBIED's (vehicle borne improvised explosive device).

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I was the Turret Gunner in the lead HMMWV (High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicle) of a [redacted] motorcade. This vehicle is the same type of vehicle that the Army and the Marine Corps use on a daily basis in Iraq. There were [redacted] other personnel in this vehicle. I was armed with a U. S. Department of State issued rifle designated as the [redacted]. During my military service I received extensive training in the use of this weapon, to include firing at known and unknown distances and

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at multiple targets both stationary and moving. I have also trained with this weapon in close combat and urban combat environments. I last qualified as expert with this weapon [ ] in January 2006 and performed additional live-fire training with this weapon, [ ] in February 2006.

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Our mission today was to transport a Department of State Diplomat to a meeting with the President of Central Bank of Iraq. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of the U.S. military controlled International Zone and travel for several kilometers through a part of Baghdad where para-military forces hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq routinely conduct insurgent operations. Attacks on American military and contractors are prevalent in this area.

Our vehicle was the lead vehicle. We utilize lights, sirens, and an air horn in conjunction with the horn of the HMMWV to ensure cars and other threats keep a safe distance away from our motorcade. I also use voice commands such as "kiff", meaning patience/stop in the Iraqi language and physical gestures to keep these same threats at a safe distance away from our motorcade. Most Iraqi drivers heed all of these signs and keep a safe distance away from the motorcade. Having completed their meeting, the motorcade with the principals, was returning to the International Zone Embassy. The motorcade was heading southeast on a four lane road.

Seventy five meters before the motorcade entered the intersection designated [ ] operating lights, sirens, air horn and HMMWV horn, the Iraqi police whom control the intersection acknowledged our motorcade approaching; they stopped the traffic from all directions so the motorcade could proceed without delay through the clear intersection. However, as our HMMWV approached the intersection at [ ] I witnessed a vehicle traveling southwest off of a bridge, Bridge [ ] to our left at a high rate of speed (approximately 50-55 miles per hour) towards the intersection the motorcade was about to enter. Our shift leader and tactical commander was still utilizing the lights, sirens, and air horn to signal the driver of this vehicle of our approach and the Iraqi Police at the intersection were commanding the driver to stop by visual and verbal signals. At the same time, I was issuing verbal commands "kiff" for the driver to stop, and visual commands with my hands and arms for the driver to stop, and also threw a water bottle at this aggressive vehicle. The driver of the aggressive vehicle blatantly ignored all efforts by all personnel, both Local National and U.S. to convince him to stop when, upon making direct eye contact with myself and observing our approaching motorcade he modified his direction of travel aiming his vehicle towards our HMMWV as it approached the intersection. At this time I perceived this aggressive vehicle as a threat and fearing for the life of my team, myself, and the principals we were charged with protecting, I fired one, well placed round from my

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State Department issued [ ] into the right front fender/engine block of the aggressive vehicle in an effort to disable it and halt its advance towards the motorcade. I saw the round impact the right front fender/engine block as I had intended. The two male occupants were uninjured. The driver immediately swerved away and accelerated through the intersection and out of view. I informed my shift leader/tactical commander that I had fired one shot. Immediately, I heard him send a situation report to the Tactical Operations Center to inform them of the incident. From the time we approached the traffic circle to when I engaged the vehicle was less than thirty seconds. The time that I fired the shot was 1305 in the afternoon. The motorcade continued through the intersection and back to the Embassy.

No further information at this time.

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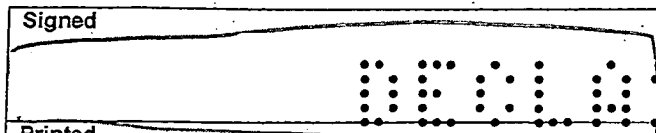
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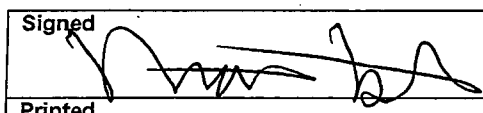
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.


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Signed	
Printed	MATTHEW BEANT
Address	DSS/RSO/BW APO, AE 09316

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8th day of  
February, 2006

Signed	
Printed	MATTHEW BEANT

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Sworn Statement

Date 08 February 2006	Time 1305
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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of [redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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[redacted] (IPD Counter Assault Team) was in direct support of [redacted] as the lead HMMWV of a [redacted] motorcade to and from [redacted] Central Bank of Iraq. <sup>b2</sup>

The load plan was as follows, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>

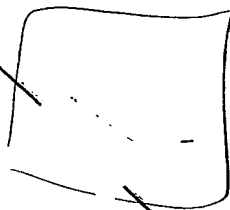
Upon departure from [redacted] via the [redacted] route, traveling southeast towards [redacted] Turret Gunner [redacted], was forced to fire one round into an aggressive vehicle. As [redacted] HMMWV approached the intersection at [redacted] the subject vehicle was witnessed traveling southwest off of Bridge <sup>b2</sup> at a high rate of speed towards the intersection the motorcade was about to enter. [redacted] SL/TC was utilizing the fed kit to signal the driver and IP's at the intersection were commanding the driver to stop by visual and verbal signals. [redacted] Turret Gunner [redacted] was issuing verbal commands "kiff" for the driver to stop, visual commands, and also threw a water bottle at the aggressive vehicle. The driver of the aggressive vehicle blatantly ignored all efforts by personnel to convince him to stop and modified his direction of travel aiming his vehicle towards [redacted] HMMWV as it approached the intersection. At this time, [redacted] Turret Gunner [redacted] fearing for the life of his <sup>b2</sup>

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team, himself, and the principals [ ] was escorting, fired one, well placed round from his [ ] into the right front fender/engine block of the aggressive vehicle. The two male occupants were uninjured. The driver immediately swerved away and accelerated through the intersection and out of view. [ ] SL/TC immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident and notified Specialty Teams D1 upon safe arrival inside Checkpoint 1. b2 b2

Upon return to [ ] [ ] SL/TC attended a DS, follow-on interview with the operator involved. b2

No further information at this time.

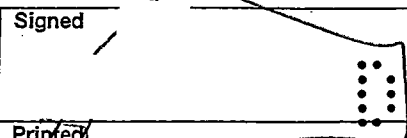


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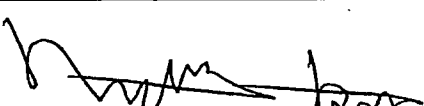
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Signed	
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Address	b6 b7C

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 08 FEB 2006 day of

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Signed	
Printed	MARTIN BECHT

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	
Printed	ROBERT SALAS
Address	RSB TSC



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Sworn Statement

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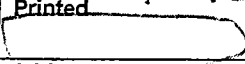
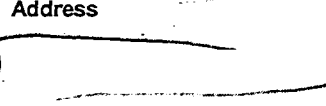
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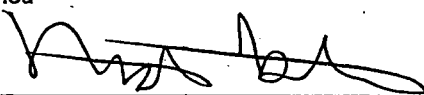
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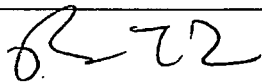
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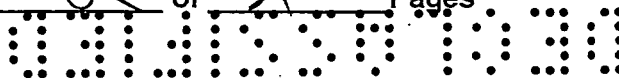
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	 ROQUE SALAS
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# Sworn Statement

Date 08 February 2006	Time 1305
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On Wednesday, February 8th, at approximately 1305 at the intersection of           , I witnessed an aggressive vehicle moving towards our motorcade from the left. I heard our turret gunner,            repeatedly issue verbal commands "kiff" for the hostile vehicle to stop. I then heard one            round fired from his weapon. I then witnessed the vehicle swerve <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub> and accelerate through the intersection out of my field of vision. <sup>b2</sup>

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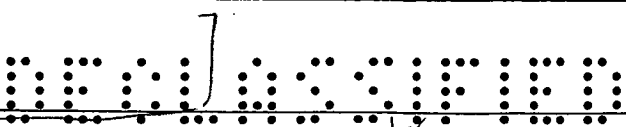
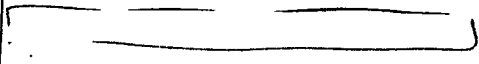
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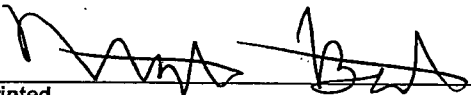
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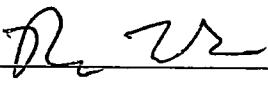
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Printed	<del>Matthew Boehr</del> <sup>Log</sup> <sub>b7C</sub>
Address	

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Printed	MATTHEW BOEHR
SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE	

Witness Signature	
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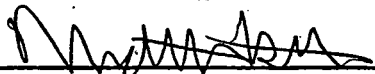
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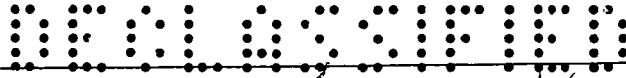
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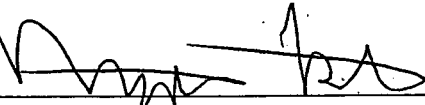
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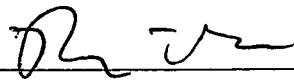
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Signed	
Printed	MATTHEW BECHT

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	
Printed	ROGER SMITH
Address	1250 TOL

Summary:

As of 08 February 2006, one (1) disabling round was fired into the engine compartment in effort to stop a potential threat. During motorcade operations in Baghdad, the rear security officer observed an aggressive vehicle (suspect vehicle) with two male occupants aggressively approaching the motorcade from the rear. The rear security officer immediately deployed verbal and non-verbal warning signs to stop, slow or divert the suspect vehicle away from the motorcade.

According to the report, the suspect vehicle failed to comply with all warning signs and continued to close the gap. At this time, the rear security officer fired one disabling round into the engine compartment in effort to stop the potential threat. The suspect vehicle quickly diverted their direction of travel away from the motorcade and the two occupants appeared to be uninjured. There were neither injuries nor collateral damage to report. The motorcade continued without further incident.

NAME: [REDACTED]

WEAPON: [REDACTED]

AMMO: [REDACTED]

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If you require additional information please contact me via email.

Sincerely,  
Victor Esposito  
Program Manager  
Department of State Programs  
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Dave -

Please review the above PSD After Action Report from Baghdad.

Summary:

As of 21 February 2006, during protective operations at the Ministry of Justice, during a trip to the local facilities, PSS (subject) suddenly found himself surrounded by a pack of wild canines. As subject tried to avoid/retreat from this unpleasant situation, one particular canine continued to aggressively move towards him while the other canines provided close back-up. At this time, subject feared for his safety and fired one fatal round from his secondary weapon to the lead canine. It appears the other canines immediately dispersed from the scene and subject immediately reported the incident.

NAME: [REDACTED]

WEAPON: [REDACTED]

AMMO: [REDACTED]

Should you require additional information please contact me via email.  
Thank you and have a great day.

Sincerely,  
Victor Esposito  
Program Manager  
Department of State Programs  
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PROVINCIAL RECONSTRUCTION  
TEAM MOSUL

March 6, 2006



Spot Report – 030606-02

**Subject:** Successful IED Against COM Motorcade—One Injury

**Reporting Office:** REO Mosul – Regional Security Officer

**Location:** Forward Operating Base, Camp Courage, Mosul, Iraq

**Summary:** On March 6, 2006, at 1045 hrs (local) a COM PSD movement returning to Forward Operating Base Camp Courage was struck by an improvised explosive device. The detail was returning to Courage from Mosul's police headquarter ([redacted]) with the Provincial Reconstruction Team Mosul's Rule of Law Coordinator and an Iraqi-born American citizen interpreter (two PAX movement). The IED initiated to the right and in front of the lead vehicle while the movement was crossing the [redacted] Canal Bridge [redacted] (intersection). The blast resulted in the up-gunner receiving superficial wounds from IED fragmentation (or concrete projectiles) to the face and forearms. The DOS-purchased [redacted] HMMWV, the lead tactical support team vehicle in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade, only received minor damage to the front windshield and up-gun ballistic plates of the turret. No other COM personnel were injured as a result of this incident. All [redacted] WPPS contractors of the lead TST will on light duty status while they are under observation for next 24-48 hrs; however, all are expected to be returned to full duty.

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**RSO Action:** RSO has implemented a post-incident 48 hour no-roll policy on WPPS moves to adjust operations and determine whether or not the IED incident was the result of specific targeting of COM details or combination of the elevated local threats and increased operational tempo of PSD movements as they relate to the PRT. Curtailment of WPPS runs will have minimal impact on PRT operations.

**Location:** Mosul, Iraq

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Time of Incident: 1045

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The detail departed Forward Operating Base (FOB) Courage at approximately 0815 and arrived on venue without incident.

After the successful completion of our primary mission on the return rout the IED attack occurred while turning off of route [redacted] to head north on route [redacted] while returning to base (RTB). Prior to the attack on our motorcade we had noticed that the [redacted] intersection was heavy guarded by IP's on both sides of road, with heave congestion flowing south (towards us, as we were traveling north).

Just prior to the incident the motorcade had temporarily stopped before the bridge due to heavy vehicle congestion directly in front us.

The team held a security "bubble" (360 degree security) around the motorcade. As we crossed the bridge (traffic started to clear at this intersection) when an IED exploded approximately 3 feet in front of lead vehicle (on the north/east side of the bridge). The tactical commander instructed the motorcade to "drive thru" and shortly thereafter reported that his vehicle was still operable.

The other vehicle commanders informed me via radio of their status (No injuries, all vehicles operational and running).

We then turned in to the "neighborhoods" as planned during the proceeding nights mission brief.

Shortly after the attack, the "up gunner" [redacted] was relieved in order to check on his injuries and [redacted] took the "up gunner" position.

The motorcade immediately returned to FOB Courage without further incident.

Immediately upon return to FOB courage the Lead TST was sent to the Combat Aid Station in order to determine the extent of injuries, if any, with the following actions to be followed up on:

- DBA forms filled out by all injured personnel
- Following up on all injured individuals for the next 48 hours
- Submission of all required paperwork

1. Broke contact

2. Returned to FOB Courage.

3. Upon return to FOB Lead TST was sent to the Combat Aid Station in order to determine extent of injuries.

4. All appropriate paperwork and reports made

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Operator(s) Involved		Vehicle(s) Involved	Mosul Team TST Vehicle	Team(s) Involved	Team, Mosul HTPSD
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Mosul, HTPSD (DSS Mission), Iraq

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Report #: 06-7	<b>Incident-Casualty Report</b> <b>WPPS - Iraq</b>	Report Date/Time: 15 March 06/1800L <b>X0167</b>
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<b>REPORTING INFORMATION</b>				
INCIDENT DATE/TIME:	15 Mar 2006/09:14	INCIDENT LOCATION: Enroute from Red Zone, Baghdad South New Power Plant to IZ, Baghdad, Iraq		
TOTAL # PERSONNEL	16	KIA: NA	WIA: NA	
INCIDENT DESCRIPTION:	COM PSD Team hit by an IED. Damage to vehicle; no casualties.			
	There were no civilian casualties noted.			
REPORTED BY:	Tex Welch	METHOD:	Email and Phone	
POINT OF CONTACT:	Tex Welch	TEL#:		

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<b>VICTIM INFORMATION: NA</b>			
NAME (LAST, FIRST MI)			
SSN:		DOB:	
NATIONALITY:		M/F:	
PASSPORT:		ISSUED/EXP:	
NATIONALITY:		BLOOD TYPE:	
INJURIES:			
STATUS:			
PROGNOSIS:			
HOME OF RECORD:		NEXT OF KIN:	

<b>PROPERTY/EVIDENCE</b>			
(CODES: R: Recovered D: Damaged DX: Destroyed S: Stolen)			
CODE	DESCRIPTION	VALUE	CURRENT LOCATION

<b>NARRATIVE</b>
Include Who, What, When, Where, Why, Summary of Actions (Continue on subsequent pages as necessary)
<p>On 15 March 2006, around 0913 hrs, a COM PSD motorcade was attacked by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) while enroute to the International Zone from the Baghdad South New Power Plant. The motorcade consisted of vehicles. As the motorcade approached an intersection the IED detonated just to the right front of the SUV resulting in substantial damage to the vehicle and rendering it inoperable. The occupants of the SUV evacuated the vehicle and provided perimeter security as the vehicle was rigged for towing by additional vehicle assets that arrived as a Quick Reaction Force (QRF). There were no principals in the motorcade and no injuries to any COM personnel. The disabled vehicle along with the remainder of the motorcade continued to the International Zone without further incident.</p> <p><b>RSO ACTION:</b> US Army Explosive Ordinance Detachment (EOD) personnel inspected and cleared the damaged vehicle upon return for secondary explosive devices. The RSO along with the PSD Team and EOD personnel will conduct a post blast inspection and debrief of all personnel involved.</p>

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	06 Mar 2006	Time of Incident	0945 Hours
Type of Incident <small>(i.e. Use of Lethal Force, Use of Non-Lethal Force, Distraction, Seizure, etc.)</small>	Use of Less Lethal Force		
Location of Incident <small>(Describe location in detail, include route name, local landmarks and boundaries, etc.)</small>	In the area between [redacted] and [redacted] soon after departing the MO Justice en route to the MO of Labor and Social Affairs.		
Description of Incident <small>(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, equipment involved, injuries if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, NGOs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)</small>	Not long after departing the ministry, a white sedan unknown make and model approached our motorcade from the rear at a high rate of speed. The vehicles head lights were on, so we were unable to see the occupants.		
Action Taken <small>(Describe in detail what actions were taken, e.g. deployed on-liners, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)</small>	As a result the left rear door gunner of the follow opened his door and gave hand signals followed by several flashes of his flashlight in an effort to back the vehicle off. When the vehicle breached our "rear bubble", which is a distance inside 100 yards (typically), a pin flare was deployed toward the vehicle which passed over the hood of the vehicle and landed on the concrete next to his vehicle. The driver then reacted to the flare then slowed and stopped.		
Follow-Up Required <small>(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)</small>	No		

Operator(s) Involved	[redacted]	Vehicle(s) Involved	Follow #	Team(s) Involved	[redacted]
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PPS - Iraq

March 06/1800L

## REPORTING INFORMATION

INCIDENT  
DATE/TIME:

6 Mar 2006/09:45

INCIDENT LOCATION:

Enroute from IZ to Ministry of  
Transportation  
Baghdad, Iraq

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b7cTOTAL #  
PERSONNEL

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KIA: NA

WIA: NA

INCIDENT  
DESCRIPTION:

COM PSD Team fires two rounds into an aggressive vehicle.

There appeared to be no injuries.

REPORTED BY:

Tex Welch

METHOD:

Email and Phone

POINT OF  
CONTACT:

Tex Welch

TEL#:

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## VICTIM INFORMATION: NA

NAME (LAST, FIRST MI)

SSN:

DOB:

NATIONALITY:

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PASSPORT:

ISSUED/EXP:

NATIONALITY:

BLOOD TYPE:

INJURIES:

STATUS:

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HOME OF RECORD:

NEXT OF KIN:

## PROPERTY/EVIDENCE

(CODES: R: Recovered D: Damaged DX: Destroyed S: Stolen)

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DESCRIPTION

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CURRENT LOCATION

## NARRATIVE

Include Who, What, When, Where, Why, Summary of Actions (Continue on subsequent pages as necessary)

On 06 March, 2006 at approximately 0945 hrs, a COM PSD Team was enroute from the International Zone to the Ministry of Transportation when the follow Tactical Support Team located in a blocking position in order to stop oncoming traffic observed a White, Chevrolet Suburban occupied by one man driving aggressively toward the motorcade as all other traffic was stopped. The vehicle weaved through the stopped traffic towards the motorcade. The team members gave repeated hand and verbal signals to the vehicle to stop. The driver ignored the signals and upon the vehicle entering the Team's standoff "Bubble" of 100 yards; the Right-Rear fired two shots into the engine block of the vehicle. The vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupant appeared to be uninjured. There were two principals in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured. The motorcade continued on without further incident to the venue.

The RSO is investigating the shooting and the PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

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Sworn Statement

Date: 3-6-06	Time: 1430
Location: BAGHDAD TRAD	

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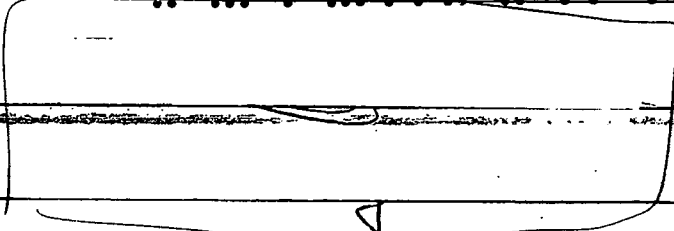
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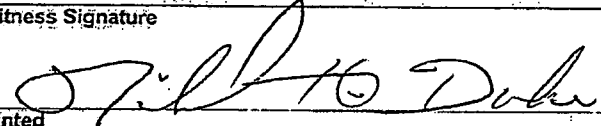
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Signed		
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Address		Baghdad, Iraq

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 6th day of  
March, 2006.

Signed
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature		
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Sworn Statement

To: [redacted] Detail Leader

Thru: [redacted] Team Leader

From: [redacted] US Army 127<sup>th</sup> MP Company assigned to [redacted]

Subject: Weapon Discharge

I, [redacted] (SPC, 1-127<sup>th</sup> MP), was the gunner in the right rear (trail vehicle) on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, 2006. Just south of [redacted], my vehicle stopped to pull security in the street. As I deployed to the rear of the vehicle, a white truck was still moving towards our vehicle from our rear. [redacted] and I had made both visual and verbal (in Arabic) attempts to slow and stop the vehicle. I saw the driver of the vehicle looking at us, but his vehicle was not slowing down. I raised my weapon as a means of elevated force. When the truck was about 65-70 meters away I heard two shots fired from my right, which is where [redacted] was standing. I saw two rounds impact into the hood of the vehicle. If the shots hadn't been fired by [redacted] then I probably would have fired them myself as I felt very threatened by the approaching vehicle.

Specialist [redacted]

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## Sworn Statement

Date	3-6-00	Time	1433
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# SWORN STATEMENT

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Detail Leader

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Team Leader

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From:

Detail Member

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Subject: Weapon Discharge

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I took a contract with DynCorp International in Virginia. I received training in operating as a member of a protective security detail. The training standards mirrored those used to train special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. After training I was sent to Baghdad, Iraq as part of DynCorp International's contract with the Department of State. I have been working in Baghdad as a member of a protective detail for thirteen months. During this time I have served on hundreds of protective detail assignments. This is the second time I have had to fire my weapon while on such an assignment.

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On 06 March 2006 I was part of Team [ ] and assigned to ride in the left rear seat of the rear vehicle of a [ ] motorcade. The vehicle was an armored Military HMMWV Vehicle that was not originally designed for the type of protective service mission we were on that day. There were [ ] other people in the vehicle with me. This included a man operating a [ ] mounted on the top of the vehicle. This man accessed the [ ] through a hole in the roof of the vehicle. I was armed with an [ ] called an [ ]. This weapon was issued to me by the Department of State. During my military and police service I have had extensive training in the use of this type of weapon. I last qualified with this specific weapon, [ ], in January, 2006. b2 b2

Our mission this day was to transport a Department of State diplomat to a meeting with members of the Iraqi government. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of the US military-controlled International Zone and travel for several kilometers through a part of Baghdad where para-military forces hostile to the US presence in Iraq operate. Attacks on American military and civilians are common in this area.

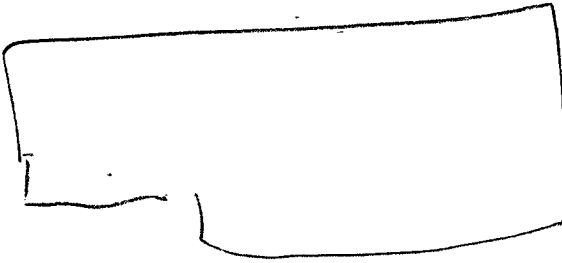
On the back of our vehicle is a large sign that has painted on it in English and Arabic the words "Stay back 100 meters. Deadly force Authorized". Most local drivers heed this warning and stay back from the motorcade. It is important to keep vehicles away from a protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives. This tactic has caused hundreds of deaths in Baghdad.

On this day, about one kilometer outside the International Zone just north of a military checkpoint (between [ ] and just south of [ ]), our motorcade came upon a traffic jam and came to a stop. The traffic behind us came to a stop about 100 meters behind our rear vehicle. I opened my door and stepped out of the vehicle so I could help keep traffic 100 meters to the rear of our motorcade. The street where the incident occurred is a four-lane road with a median and sidewalks and multi-story buildings on both sides. I noticed a white Chevrolet SUV with one male occupant drive around the stopped traffic and speed toward the motorcade. I yelled to the other people in my vehicle to inform them about the Chevy SUV. The Chevy continued to drive towards our motorcade. I yelled the word stop, in Arabic, at the driver of the Chevy and also gestured with my hands and arms for him to stop. The vehicle did not stop. I held up my [ ] and continued to yell for him to stop. The Chevy was now approximately ninety-five meters from our b2

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motorcade. I knew that if the vehicle was carrying an explosive device and I allowed it to get within 25 meters of my vehicle the resulting explosion would kill the people in my vehicle and possibly others in the motorcade. At this point the Chevy was almost to the 75 meter point. I aimed my [redacted] at the front grill of the Chevy and fired two rounds. The rounds impacted the engine block of the Chevy. The Chevy stopped immediately and pulled over to the right side of the road. I did not see anyone who appeared to have been injured in the shooting. I looked at the driver of the Chevy and could see that the driver did not appear to be injured. The whole event, from the time I first noticed the Chevy to the time we left the scene, took less than 60 seconds. I looked at my watch when the event was over and it was 0940 hours.

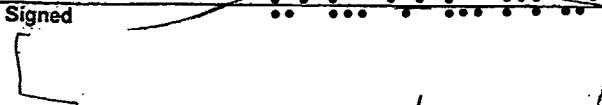
We drove on to our destination. I could hear over my radio that the shift leader was informing the Regional Security Office Tactical Operations Center about what had happened. Later we returned to the International Zone without incident.



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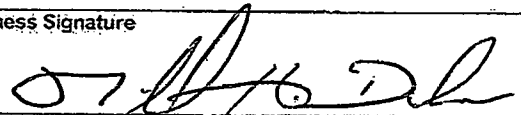
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of  
MARCH, 2006.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	
Printed	Michael H. Duke
Address	R50 TOC



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Sworn Statement

Date	3-6-06	Time	1430
Location BAGADAD, IDAO			

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, hereby make the following statement at the request of

, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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SWORN STATEMENT

TO: [redacted] Detail Leader

THRU: [redacted] Team Leader

FROM: [redacted] 127<sup>th</sup> MP Company assigned to [redacted]

SUBJECT: Weapon Discharge

b2 I, [redacted], have been in the US Army almost 14 years. I have been trained on PSD type of missions since September of 2005. I began working with DynCorp TST teams since my tour (beginning in Baghdad, Iraq) in November 2005. I have been on 51 successful missions with team [redacted] and [redacted].

On March 6, 2006 I was assigned as the Tactical Commander (TC) in the U.S. Army HMMWV. We departed check point 2 traveling NW to Ministry Of Transportation. As we approached the venue, we stopped just south of [redacted]. The two rear occupants [redacted] and [redacted] and I dismounted the vehicle to hold traffic while [redacted] entered the venue. It is important to keep vehicles away from the protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives. This tactic has caused hundreds of deaths in Baghdad. b6 b7C b2

At this point, a white SUV (driven by a single male adult) maneuvered around the stopped traffic. The vehicle was headed towards my motorcade. I gave the (Arabic) hand and arm signal for the vehicle to stop. I also shouted (in Arabic) for the vehicle to stop. I also heard [redacted] and [redacted] shout (in Arabic) for the vehicle to stop. As the vehicle continued in our direction I then pointed my [redacted] at the vehicle and was placing the weapon on fire when I heard 2 shots fired by [redacted]. The vehicle then pulled to the right side of the road. b6 b7C b2

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Date: 3-6-06	Time: 1930
Location: BAGHDAD, IRAQ	

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SWORN STATEMENT

To: [redacted] Detail Leader

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Thru: [redacted] Team Leader

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From: [redacted] 127<sup>th</sup> MP Company [redacted] Team [redacted] Member

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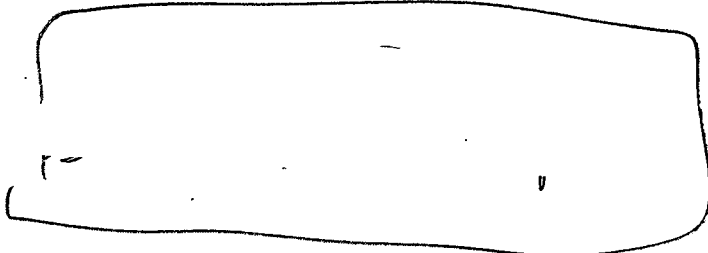
Subject: Weapon Discharge

I, [redacted] (Spec-4, 127<sup>th</sup> MP), was driving the follow (Army HMMWV) on March 6<sup>th</sup> 2006 as a member of Team [redacted] (QRF) supporting Team [redacted] (PSD) on a mission to The Ministry of Transportation. Upon arrival to the venue we stopped traffic and pulled security for team [redacted] to get into the venue. While we were stopped, I heard my teammates shout the words "stop" in Arabic. I then heard two shots fired. I didn't witness the shooting. We shortly after pulled into the venue.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Signed	[Redacted Signature]	b6 b7c
Printed	[Redacted Name]	
Address	Baghdad Iraq	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2006.

Signed	[Redacted Signature]
Printed	[Redacted Name]

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	[Signature: Michael H. Duke]
Printed	Michael H. Duke
Address	R50 TOC

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Sworn Statement

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Date: 3-6-06	Time: 1430
Location: BAGHDAD, IRAQ	

I, [redacted] b6 b7c, hereby make the following statement at the request of

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SWORN STATEMENT

TO:

[redacted] Detail Leader <sup>b6</sup> <sup>b7c</sup>

THRU:

[redacted] Team Leader <sup>b6</sup> <sup>b7c</sup> <sup>b2</sup>  
[redacted] 127 MP Company assigned to [redacted] <sup>b6</sup> <sup>b7c</sup>

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SUBJECT: Weapon Discharge

I <sup>b6</sup> <sup>b7c</sup> [redacted] have been in the [redacted] years and have been trained on PSD type of missions since July 15 of 2005. I began working with DynCorp TST teams since (beginning of my tour in Baghdad, Iraq) since November of 2005. I have been on 51 successful missions with teams [redacted] and [redacted]

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On March 6, 2006 I was the gunner in the turret of the Army HMMWV. We departed the IZ out of Check Point Two headed NW to Ministry of Transportation. As we pulled up to Min. of Transportation we stopped just south of [redacted] to hold the traffic to our rear so that team [redacted] could enter the venue. As traffic was stopped, a white Chevy SUV maneuvered around the stopped traffic and headed towards the motorcade. I yelled, in Arabic, for the driver to stop. I also used hand and arm signals for the driver to stop. The vehicle kept driving towards my vehicle. I then heard [redacted] (U.S. Army; Tactical Commander of my vehicle), [redacted] (left rear gunner), and [redacted] (right rear gunner) shout (in Arabic) for the vehicle to stop. I also saw [redacted] give hand and arm signals for the vehicle to stop. The white Chevy SUV continued to drive towards our motorcade. I then lowered my [redacted] at the vehicle and switched the weapon off Safe. I then heard [redacted] fire two shots at the vehicle. The vehicle pulled to the right side of the road and stopped. <sup>b6</sup> <sup>b7c</sup>

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address

Baghdad, Iraq

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of  
March, 2006.

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	031306	Time of Incident	1045
Type of Incident <small>(Use of lethal force, use of non-lethal force, force/distraction devices deployed, ambush, etc.)</small>	( ) Use of Non lethal force - Fired One pen Flare		
Location of Incident <small>(Describe location in detail, include route name, local landmarks, and coordinates if known, etc.)</small>	Near		
Description of Incident <small>(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, weapons involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NSCS involved, other personnel involved, etc.)</small>	As we were Held in Traffic trying to complete a U-Turn to Head back NW, we were approached by a fast moving vehicle from the NW coming from an off ramp. As we were sitting with the rear towards the off ramp A Yellow in color 4 door taxi was approaching at a high rate of speed. My two rear gunners and my well gunner were giving verbal and visual commands for the vehicle to stop. After several unsuccessful attempts my well gunner fired off one pen flare that struck the ground right in front of the Vehicle. The vehicle came to a dead stop and held its position on the roadway. Traffic held where the subjects vehicle stopped and we proceeded to drive away with no further incidents.		
Action Taken <small>(Describe in detail what actions were taken, if deployed, pen flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)</small>	The Well Gunner deployed one pen flare in order to stop a fast moving and possible dangerous vehicle from entering our motorcade bubble. It was shot at a distance of approx. 40 Meters away.		
Follow-Up Required <small>(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, re-investigation, notifications, etc.)</small>	I was impressed at how well the pen flare stopped traffic. I was satisfied at the final outcome of the situation. The pen flare defused a possible dangerous situation with non-lethal force. I recommend the use of the Pen flares. Follow up - None, No known injuries or property damage.		

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Operator(s) Involved		Vehicle(s) Involved	Follow Vehicle	Team(s) Involved	
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REO - KIRKUK

13 March 2006



Spot Report - 031306-01

**Subject:** COM PSD Team fires on aggressive vehicle.

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Kirkuk

**Summary:** On 13 March 2006 at approximately 0720 hrs, a DynCorp USAID/COM PSD Team en route from USAID Erbil to REO Kirkuk encountered an aggressive vehicle (silver Mercedes sedan, MAM driver). The motorcade was traveling south on RT [redacted] The CAT vehicle right rear gunner gave hand, surefire flashlight, and verbal signals, to get the driver of the aggressive vehicle to back off. The vehicle continued to advance aggressively on the motorcade and the gunner fired one round into the grill to disable the vehicle and protect lives in the motorcade. The vehicle continued to advance and the left rear gunner fired 2 rounds into the grill of the aggressive vehicle. The aggressive vehicle pulled off to the side of the road without any apparent injuries to the driver.

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The motorcade continued to REO Kirkuk and successfully completed the move. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

**RSO Action:** Sworn statements, mission request, TOC log to file. RSO intends to assign low-vis vehicles and initiate low profile SOP/ROE when available and authorized.

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**Location:** Route [redacted] between Kirkuk and Erbil.

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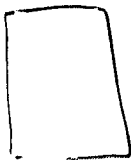
As of 13 March 2006, during motorcade operations to the Mayor's Complex located in Kan'an, a small city to the Southeast of Baqubah, several security officers fired disabling rounds into the engine compartment of a potential threat.

During motorcade operations, several security officers observed a white Toyota flatbed truck (suspect vehicle) with two male occupants rapidly and aggressively approaching the motorcade from the rear. The rear security officers immediately deployed verbal and non-verbal (2 million candlepower spot light, laser, hand signals and a [redacted] b2 training round) warning signs to stop, slow or divert the suspect vehicle away from the motorcade.

According to the report, the suspect vehicle failed to comply with all warning signs and continued to close the gap presenting a potential threat. At this time, the rear security officers fired disabling rounds into the engine compartment in efforts to stop the potential threat. (Field note: It appears that [redacted] b2 highlighted the venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple SVBIED's (Suicide Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device's) operating in the area. The suspect vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop and the male occupants were observed exiting the vehicle unharmed. There were no injuries or collateral damage to report. The motorcade continued without further incident.

NAMES: [redacted] (three rounds)  
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[redacted] (three rounds)  
[redacted] (one blue training round) b6 b7C

WEAPONS:



AMMO: [redacted] AND [redacted] TRAINING ROUND b2

Should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me via email. Thank you and have a great day.

Sincerely,

~~Victor Esposito~~

Program Manager

Department of State Programs

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	13MAR2006	Time of Incident	0940
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distracted Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Disabling Shot		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Kan'an, Iraq Vic. Grid#		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principals(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On 13MAR2006, team [redacted] was tasked with a move from FOB Warhorse to the Mayor's Complex in Kan'an, a small city to the southeast of Ba'Qubah, to advance the site for a future visit to the facility by Department of State officials.</p> <p>The motorcade for this advance movement was [redacted] vehicles, comprised of [redacted]. The team assembled and conducted a route recon enroute to the future venue. No events out of the ordinary took place while traveling the new route. Once the team reached the Kanaan Mayor's Office, the C.A.T. vehicle took their position in the rear of the motorcade. The C.A.T. consisted of [redacted] PSD members.</p> <p>[redacted] While on scene, and after the C.A.T. came to a complete stop in the middle of the road way, the team (except for [redacted] and [redacted]) exited the vehicle to stand in the roadway adjacent the C.A.T. to give them a the ability to signal all oncoming vehicles. The lead vehicle was at the opposite end of the compound in a posture identical to the C.A.T.'s. The driver, [redacted] remained in the Lead, while the TC, [redacted] and the left rear gunner, [redacted] watched their sector of roadway. Inside the compound, the Bear Cat (Follow vehicle) was stationed inside the gated compound as an overwatch to the rear area of the compound. The Bear Cat was accompanied by the [redacted] gunner in the turret [redacted] and K9 (Nero) was conducting a physical sweep of the vehicles inside the compound adjacent the Bear Cat. The Limo, comprised of the driver, [redacted] (AIC) and the interpreter [redacted] were inside the compound and parked in front of the Mayors building. The interpreter, the AIC and his overwatch, [redacted] (gunner from the follow) were standing beside the Limo conversing with the senior IP on station to help facilitate our access to the interior of the building.</p> <p>I was standing near the follow, but within sight of the C.A.T. making sure everyone was in place. I was about to collapse the roadway security when the C.A.T. Commander [redacted] began to scream "Qif" and shine his flash light and laser pointer at an approaching vehicle.</p>		

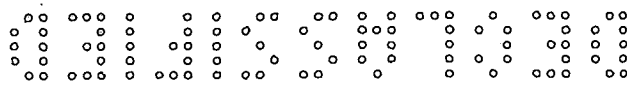
	<p>Fellow gunners, _____ and _____ began to scream "Qif" and make exaggerated hand and weapon movements in an up and down motion for the approaching truck to stop. The C.A.T.'s gunner _____ began to shine a 2 million candle power light at the approaching truck. Seconds after hearing the verbal commands, _____ and _____ fired their _____ at the truck. Once their initial volley of rounds was fired and the vehicle failed to stop, the _____ gunner _____ fired disabling shots into the engine compartment of the vehicle. As the Shift Leader, I proceeded to the entry/exit for the compound and saw the C.A.T. Commander giving verbal commands to the occupants of the threat vehicle (Toyota truck). The two male occupants got out of the truck under their own power, and made their way to the side of the road where they sat with no apparent injuries. The command to "Recover" was given by me and everyone collapsed to their vehicles within the compound. The motorcade was restaged in the entrance to the compound and left the venue. No further incidents occurred while traveling back to Ba'Qubah.</p> <p>-----End of Statement-----</p>
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<p><b>Action Taken</b> (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons, systems, etc.)</p>	<p>Secured the principal and gave a sit rep to the TOC</p>
<p><b>Follow-Up Required</b> (Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)</p>	<p>Report to Higher</p>

<p>Operator(s) Involved</p>	<p>Report by: _____ Leader</p>	<p>Vehicle(s) Involved</p>	<p>CAT</p>	<p>Team(s) Involved</p>	<p>_____</p>
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	13MAR2006	Time of Incident	0940
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Disabling Shoot		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Kan'an, Iraq Vic. Grid#		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FGNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>In the fall of [redacted] I began my current contract with Blackwater USA, inc. I arrived at my current location, Ba'qubah, Iraq, Forward Operating Base (FOB) Warhorse in September of 2005. I have been the Counter Assault Team (CAT) [redacted] since that time. In all I have over 17 months on the ground in Iraq as a PSD team member and have been on hundreds of PSD missions all over the country, ranging from low profile (local vehicles/no armor) to high profile (Armored SUV's and Hummvee's) operations, large team (15 men or more) to small team (4 men or fewer) missions.</p> <p>Before my deployment with Blackwater USA, inc. I received training, at their facility, in operating as a member of a protective detail. The training standards mirrored those used to train special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. After training I was sent to Iraq as part of Blackwater's contract with the Department of State. I have been working in Ba'qubah as a member of a protective detail and CAT [redacted] for seven months. During this time I have served on countless protective detail assignments. Since I arrived on site in Ba'qubah, FOB Warhorse, to</p>		

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work with team [redacted] I have spent untold hours on the firing range working with all of my assigned weapons. b2

On 13 MAR 2006, team [redacted] was tasked with a move from FOB Warhorse to the Mayor's Complex in Kan'an, a small city to the southeast of Ba'Qubah, to advance the site for a future visit to the facility by Department of State officials. On this mission, I was tasked as the [redacted] of the Counter Assault Team (CAT) Vehicle, and armored Humvee. I was equipped with my [redacted] with an [redacted] and a [redacted]. All of which were issued to me by the Department of State. b2

[redacted] departed FOB Warhorse at approximately 0900 hours and began our movement to the Kan'an mayor's complex. With a [redacted] car motorcade. b2

On arrival at the mayor's complex, the [redacted] motorcade slowed to a halt on the road to maneuver through the tight entrance gate and barricades at the front of the site. The CAT team's responsibility at halts of this nature is to control traffic form and protect the rear of the motorcade. Local traffic was staying well to the rear of our motorcade for the several minutes it took the first three vehicles to enter the complex. Once the follow vehicle, [redacted] in the motorcade, left the road to enter the choke point and gate, the CAT team maintained control of the road in both directions until all other vehicles in the motorcade were safely in the compound. At this time I instructed the driver of the CAT vehicle to move into the gate while I and the two rear door gunners maintained security on the road. b2

At this time, my right rear gunner made me aware of a vehicle that had maneuvered around stopped traffic and was headed toward our position at speed. I turned to assist in getting the driver of the threat vehicle to stop in its advance. I saw that the turret gunner in the CAT vehicle was clearly visible and flashing his 2 million candlepower spotlight at the driver to warn him off. The threat vehicle continued on its course.

I then stepped forward and yelled "qif" (Arabic for stop) and gave the appropriate hand signals for the driver to stop. The threat vehicle continued toward us without slowing.

At this time I displayed my weapon and shined my weapon mounted Surefire flashlight and visible red laser on the driver to make him aware of our intentions for him to stop. All the while, shouting in Arabic and English for him to stop. The driver did not heed these warnings and signals and continued toward myself and my team at speed.

I could hear the other members of the CAT team yelling similar warnings, with no result.

I then raised my weapon and fired a training round from my [ ] into the road 15 meters in front of the threat vehicle in a final attempt to get him to stop. When this round impacted on the road surface it disintegrated due to impact and presented a cloud of blaze orange, inert dust 4 feet high, as it was designed to, thus serving as a visual signal to the driver to stop in his advance. Again the driver of the threat vehicle did not heed my attempts to warn him off with less than lethal methods and continued at speed toward myself and my teammates.

At this time, I fired multiple rounds from my [ ] into the engine compartment of the threat vehicle in an attempt to disable it. The threat continued on its path toward my team without slowing or altering its path.

I then responded by placing multiple rounds from my [ ] into the windshield of the threat vehicle. At this time the driver disappeared from my sight and the threat vehicle rolled to a stop approximately 20 to 25 meters away from my position.

I then yelled for the occupants to exit the threat vehicle. Both occupants then exited the vehicle under their own power and sat on the side of the road.

I, as CAT leader, then made the call to higher with the appropriate information and the all secure call.

[ ] then returned to FOB Warhorse without incident.

Given the constant and deadly threat of SVBIED's, Suicide Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device's, in our area of operations and throughout Iraq all proper steps and precautions were taken by the [ ] CAT team in order to protect the lives of our principles, our team, ourselves and innocent civilians.

The driver of the threat vehicle failed to heed multiple and redundant warnings to cease in his aggressive approach toward our vehicle. Including:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A Hummvee blocking the road</li><li>○ A two million candlepower spotlight, from the turret</li><li>○ White light and visible red laser from myself</li><li>○ Hand and arm signals from the three team members in the road as well as the turret gunner</li><li>○ Verbal commands to stop, from the three team members in the road as well as the turret gunner</li><li>○ The showing of weapons, from the three team members in the road as well as the turret gunner</li><li>○ A 4 foot high blaze orange puff of inert smoke from the [redacted] training round</li></ul> <p>All required and available measures were taken by [redacted] and the CAT team, and were unheeded by the driver of the threat vehicle.</p> <p>END OF STATEMENT</p>
<p><b>Action Taken</b> (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin bars, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)</p>	<p>Secured the principals and gave a sit rep to the TOC</p>
<p><b>Follow Up Required</b> (Indicate what if any follow up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)</p>	<p>Report to Higher</p>

Operator(s) Involved	Report by	Vehicle(s) Involved	CAT	Team(s) Involved	
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	03-13-06	Time of Incident	0940
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractor Devices/Deployed Ambush)	Disabling shots		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Ba'qubah to Kan'an, Route [ ] grid [ ]		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>I joined Blackwater, and did my first six month contract in Al Hilla, Iraq in the Counter Assault Vehicle. My second contract with Blackwater, I have spent in Ba'Qubah, Iraq.</p> <p>On 13 March, 2006 I was part of team [ ] and assigned to ride in the right rear seat of the rear vehicle of a [ ] motorcade. The vehicle was an armored Hummvee that was not originally designed for the type of protective service mission we were on that day. There were [ ] other people in the vehicle with me. This included a man operating a [ ] mounted on the top of the vehicle. This man accessed the [ ] through a hole in the roof of the vehicle. I was armed with an [ ] called an [ ] This weapon was issued to me by the Department of State. During my military and training service I have had extensive training in the use of this type of weapon.</p> <p>Our mission this day was to do a route and venue advance for a meeting between a Department of State diplomat and the mayor of Kan'an. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of the US military-controlled FOB Warhorse and travel for several kilometers through a part of Ba'qubah where Para-military forces hostile to the US presence in Iraq operate. Attacks on American and Iraqi military, police, and civilians are common in this area.</p> <p>On the back of our vehicle is a large red sign that has painted on it in white letters in English and Arabic the words "Stay back 100 meters. Deadly force Authorized". Most local drivers heed this warning and stay back from the motorcade. It is important to keep vehicles away from a protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives. This tactic has caused hundreds of deaths in Baghdad.</p> <p>On this day, team [ ] departed Ba'qubah heading to the Mayors office and Iraqi Police station in Kan'an. We departed FOB Warhorse at 0900 heading toward route [ ]. At approximately 0935 we arrived on Venue at grid [ ]</p>		

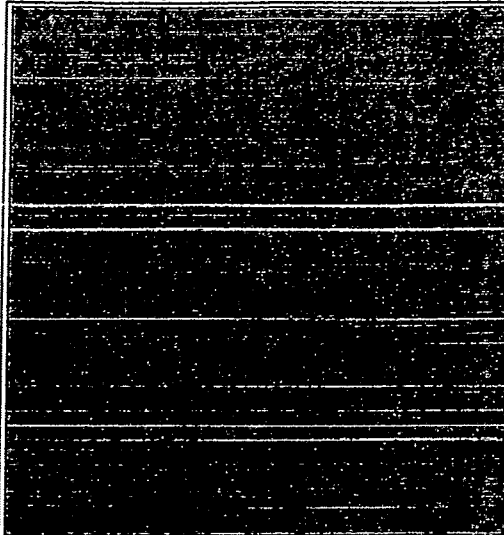
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Once we arrived on venue while the motorcade was getting staged and pulling into the entrance the CAT vehicle was holding the road to the rear or six o clock position facing NW. Traffic was stopped approximately 100 meters behind the CAT vehicle. Traffic had been stopped for approximately 10 minutes while the motorcade was moving in and staging. Some of the stopped vehicles were turning around heading the opposite direction of the motorcade. The CAT vehicle was just pulling into the gate and we were about to go inside the compound, when I yelled "Kiff". I saw a White Toyota flat bed truck driving past the stopped traffic and accelerating. I was waving my gun and giving hand signals to stop. When he got approximately 30 meters from the CAT vehicle I fired three rounds from my [redacted] into the grill of the truck. The truck stopped in the middle of the road approximately 25 meters away and two passengers got out with there hands up. At that point the Shift Leader called to recover and we left venue and returned to FOB Warhorse.

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**Action Taken**

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed on target, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

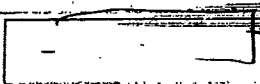
Fired three rounds into the grill

**Follow-Up Required**

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Notify Higher

Operator(s)  
Involved

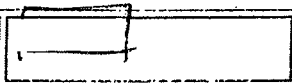


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Cat vehicle

Team(s)  
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	03-13-06	Time of Incident	0940
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Disabling shots		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Ba'qubah to Kan'an, Route [ ] grid [ ]		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>I, [ ]</p> <p>I left and was hired by Blackwater in [ ] wherein, I was trained and assigned to [ ] Baqubah, Iraq. During my 13 months of active PSD experience in Iraq, I have served on over 200 protective detail assignments.</p> <p>On 13 March, 2006 I was part of team [ ] and assigned to the left rear seat of the Counter Assault Vehicle of a [ ] vehicle motorcade. The vehicle was an armored Hummvee that was not originally designed for the type of protective service mission we were on that day. There were [ ] other people in the vehicle with me. The positions in our vehicle were [ ]</p> <p>I was armed with an [ ] called an [ ] This weapon was issued to me by the Department of State. During my military and training service I have had extensive training in the use of this type of weapon.</p>		

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Our mission this day was to do a route and venue advance for a meeting between a Department of State diplomat and the mayor of Kan'an. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of the US military-controlled FOB Warhorse and travel several kilometers through a part of Baqubah where Para-military forces hostile to the US are present and operate. Attacks on American and Iraqi military, police, and civilians are common in this area.

On the back of our vehicle is a large red sign with white letters, in English and Arabic, the words "Convoy Ahead, Stay back 100 meters." Most local drivers heed this warning and stay back from the motorcade. It is important to keep vehicles away from a protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives. This tactic has caused hundreds of deaths in Baghdad.

On this date, [redacted] departed Ba'qubah heading to the Mayors office and Iraqi Police station in Kan'an. We departed FOB Warhorse at 0900 heading toward route [redacted]. At approximately 0935 we arrived on Venue at grid [redacted].

Once we arrived on venue, the motorcade was getting staged by pulling into the entrance of the venue. The CAT vehicle was stationed in the middle of the road in the NW direction. Traffic was stopped approximately 100 meters behind the CAT vehicle. The CAT vehicle held this position for approximately 10 minutes while the motorcade was moving into the venue as the site was being secured. While sitting in the roadway, approaching vehicles would turn around and drive in the opposite direction away from the motorcade. The CAT vehicle was given the command to enter the compound, when I heard someone yell "Kiff" and I saw a White Toyota flat bed truck driving past the stopped traffic and accelerating towards me. I was waving my gun and giving hand signals to stop. When he got approximately 30 meters from the Cat vehicle I fired four rounds from my [redacted] into the grill of the truck to disable it. The truck stopped in the middle of the road approximately 25 meters away and two passengers got out with there hands up. At that point the Shift Leader called to recover and we left the venue, and returned to FOB Warhorse.

#### Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed air flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

Fired four disabling shots into the grill of the threat vehicle

#### Follow-up Required

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Notify Higher

Operator(s) Involved	[redacted]	Vehicle(s) Involved	Cat vehicle	Team(s) Involved	[redacted]
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	13 March	Time of Incident	0940
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Disabling Shoot		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Kan' aan, Ba'Qubah, Iraq Vic. Grid		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FGNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>I was accepted and completed the High Threat Protection Operations Course #2, Blackwater Training Facility. The training standards mirrored those used to train Special Agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. I have worked continuously over the past two years for Blackwater WPPS in multiple areas of Iraq to include Najaf, Hillah, Baghdad, Fallujah, and Ramadi.</p>		

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On 13 March, team [redacted] was tasked with a move from FOB Warhorse to the Mayors Complex in Kar' aan, to do a route and site reconnaissance to facilitate a Future Department of State meeting with local officials. On this mission, I was tasked as the [redacted]

Turret Gunner in the Counter Assault Team (CAT) Vehicle.

The Cat vehicle is a US Military HUMMVV, painted Desert Tan with a Turret and a bright red, 3' X 3', Warning sign that states in Both Arabic and English, "Convoy Ahead, Stay back 100 meters".

[redacted] departed FOB Warhorse at approximately 0900 hours and began our movement to the Mayors Complex.

Arriving at the Mayors Complex around 0930 hours, we halted in front of the entrance of the venue (A high wall of HESCO and Concertina wire) and dismounted the CAT gunners to create a Security perimeter (Bubble). Six dozen or more vehicles, coming from three different directions had heeded the warnings of the Gunners on the ground and had come to a stop approximately sixty meters away.

At around 0940, a rusty pickup coming from the west (6 O'clock by the direction of motorcade travel), made its way around the rest of the stopped cars. I flashed my 2,000,000 (2 million) candlepower light into the windshield on the driver side on the truck. The driver continued forward with no heed to my warnings or the warnings of my teammates.

As the Vehicle continued forward, I transitioned from the Spotlight to my [redacted] I then fired three (three round) disabling bursts to the front left of the vehicle.

The vehicle stopped and the occupants were ordered out of the vehicle. Both occupants moved away from the vehicle to the side of the road of their own accord.

[redacted] and the CAT team took all required and available measures and were unheeded by the driver of the threat vehicle.

END OF STATEMENT

**Action Taken**

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

I secured my sector and gave a situation report to the CAT Team Leader.

<b>Follow-Up Required</b> <small>(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e., further investigation, notifications, etc.)</small>	Report to Higher
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<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>  	<b>Report by:</b> <i>b6</i> <i>b7c</i> Counter Assault Team Turret Gunner	<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>  	<b>CAT</b> HUMMVV	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>  	
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Report #: 06-5

# Incident-Casualty Report

## PPS - Iraq

Report Date/Time: 13 March 06/1630L

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### REPORTING INFORMATION

INCIDENT DATE/TIME:

13 Mar 2006/07:30

INCIDENT LOCATION:

Kirkuk, Iraq

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TOTAL # PERSONNEL

1

KIA: NA

WIA: NA

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION:

COM PSD Team fires one round into an aggressive vehicle.

There appeared to be no injuries.

REPORTED BY:

Tex Welch

METHOD:

Email and Phone

POINT OF CONTACT:

Tex Welch

TEL#:

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### VICTIM INFORMATION: NA

NAME (LAST, FIRST MI)

SSN:

DOB:

NATIONALITY:

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PASSPORT:

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NATIONALITY:

BLOOD TYPE:

INJURIES:

STATUS:

PROGNOSIS:

HOME OF RECORD:

NEXT OF KIN:

### PROPERTY/EVIDENCE

(CODES: R: Recovered D: Damaged DX: Destroyed S: Stolen)

CODE	DESCRIPTION	VALUE	CURRENT LOCATION

### NARRATIVE

Include Who, What, When, Where, Why, Summary of Actions (Continue on subsequent pages as necessary)

This is a preliminary report pending arrival of the SPOT report tomorrow morning.

On 13 March, 2006 at approximately 07:30, a COM PSD Team was enroute from Kirkuk back to Erbil when they noticed a vehicle that was not obeying the signals to stop despite repeated hand and verbal signals to the vehicle to stop. After the team members determined the vehicle to be a threat, one round was fired into the hood of the vehicle. The vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop and the occupant appeared to be uninjured. There was one USAID principal in the motorcade and no one was injured. The motorcade continued on without further incident.

The RSO is investigating the shooting and the PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

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PSD – After Action Report



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Team: [ ] Mission #: 031806-9-1 Departure Time: 0645 Return Time: 1300

Venue/Location: Kirkuk Regional Embassy Office

Principal(s): [ ]

Shift Leader: [ ]

Agent-in-Charge: [ ]

TC: [ ]

YES NO

Mission Planning Phase

☒ ☐ 1. Did the Shift Leader coordinate available support?

Remarks: RSO's office in Kirkuk

☐ ☒ 2. Any Issues coordinating with the Principal or their representatives?

Remarks:

☒ ☐ 3. Was there an advance packet for this venue?

Remarks:

☒ ☐ 4. Was coordination made with someone at the venue prior to departure?

Remarks: RSO

☒ ☐ 5. Was Intel consulted concerning incidents/threats pertaining to venue, routes and principal(s)?

Remarks: It was reviewed and briefed prior to the mission

☐ ☒ 6. Any problems with exiting the Palace of the [ ]

Remarks: N/A



PSD – After Action Report



Mission Execution Phase

YES NO



1. Were any MSR's used for movement? (Name and Entry/Exit Grey Codes)

Remarks: ASR



2. Did the team encounter any unplanned barricades, checkpoints or obstacles?

Remarks:



3. Did the team encounter impassable traffic?

Remarks:



4. Did team experience any problems relating to bridges, overpasses or tunnels?

Remarks:



5. Did any team vehicle make contact with any other vehicle or object? If YES, include vehicle GP#.

Remarks:



6. Did the team believe they were under dedicated surveillance at any point?

Remarks:



7. Did the team come under direct attack or witness an attack on others?

Remarks: A silver Mercedes Benz occupied by a single male failed to stop after repeated verbal and non-verbal warnings were given. The vehicle was being driven in an aggressive manner attempting to breach the motorcade when the two rears from the CAT Vehicle discharged three rounds in an attempt to disable the vehicle.





PSD – After Action Report



YES NO

Actions at Venue

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1. Has the barrier plan or guard force procedures changed for the venue?

Remarks:

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2. What were the composition, disposition and location of local security?

Remarks: Global Security armed with

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3. Does the venue have rules against rifles or the use of K9 assets?

Remarks:

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4. How many ways can you enter and exit the building and grounds?

Remarks: Two ways in and two ways out

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5. Was there an established POC to meet your Principal?

Remarks: PRT Staff

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6. In what room was the meeting held and what was the location of the safe room?

Remarks: REO conference room.

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7. Did the team experience any type of incident while at the venue?

Remarks:



# PSD – After Action Report



Shift Leader Comments

**Remarks:** The shot to disable incident was reported to the RSO in Kirkuk and all statements concerning this event were turned into his office for investigation. There were no team members injured and no equipment damaged as a result of this incident.

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## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

March 15, 2006



## SPOT REPORT - 031506-01

**SUBJECT:** COM PSD motorcade attacked by IED**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 15 March 2006, around 0913 hrs, a COM PSD motorcade was attacked by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) while enroute to the International Zone from the Baghdad South New Power Plant. The motorcade consisted of [ ] vehicles [ ] [ ] As the motorcade approached an intersection the IED detonated just to the right front of the SUV resulting in substantial damage to the vehicle and rendering it inoperable. The occupants of the SUV evacuated the vehicle and provided perimeter security as the vehicle was rigged for towing by additional vehicle assets that arrived as a Quick Reaction Force (QRF). There were no principals in the motorcade and no injuries to any COM personnel. The disabled vehicle along with the remainder of the motorcade continued to the International Zone without further incident.

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**RSO ACTION:** US Army Explosive Ordinance Detachment (EOD) personnel inspected and cleared the damaged vehicle upon return for secondary explosive devices. The RSO along with the PSD Team and EOD personnel will conduct a post blast inspection and debrief of all personnel involved.

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**LOCATION:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

March 15, 2006



## SPOT REPORT 031506-03

**SUBJECT: COM PSD Fires Single Shot To Disable Aggressive Vehicle****REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Al-Hillah**

**SUMMARY:** On 15 March 2006 at approximately 1015 hrs, a COM PSD shot to disable an aggressive vehicle that had driven to within close proximity of their motorcade. The \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade was turning south from Route \_\_\_\_\_ onto MSR \_\_\_\_\_ at the time of the incident. As MSR \_\_\_\_\_ was tightly congested with religious pilgrims heading northward to the city of Karbala on foot to observe the Arbayeen religious holiday (3/19 and 3/20), the lead vehicle was forced to negotiate the crowd of pedestrians to access the intersection. Due to the large number of pilgrims on foot, the northbound lane of this route was reserved for pedestrians while the southbound lane was dedicated to two-way vehicle traffic. The follow vehicle then moved past the lead vehicle into the intersection to halt oncoming traffic - a line of several local vehicles halted to its front in order to allow the rest of the motorcade to traverse the intersection. While the vehicles were halted or slowing their forward progress in a line on the MSR, a gray Volvo 4 door sedan was noticed traveling up the queue of vehicles toward the intersection/follow car. The shift leader in the follow vehicle opened his door to signal this vehicle to stop by flashing his weapon-mounted flashlight, and also attempted to use verbal commands and signals

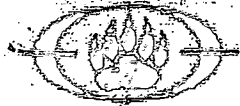
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with his free hand. The sedan did not heed these signals and continued toward the intersection. When the vehicle had not slowed its progress the shift leader fired one shot from his [ ] rifle into the front grill of the sedan b2 at a distance inside of 25 meters. The vehicle immediately slowed to a stop on the side of the road. The motorcade continued its turn onto Route [ ] and continued onto its intended destination without further incident.

**RSO ACTION:** RSO has obtained written statements from all team members involved in this incident. Face to face interviews have not been conducted because the PSD Team in question is resident at FOB Duke in Najaf. RSO is awaiting receipt of supplementary diagrams which will assist in providing a more accurate depiction of this event – based on a review of these, RSO will advise of future relevant developments related to this incident. Note: On 3/11/06, REO leadership determined that no COM PSDs would move between south-central provinces from 3/16/06 to 3/21/06, because of potential complications posed by the 3-4 million religious pilgrims expected to move along MSRs leading into Karbala.

**LOCATION:** Karbala, Iraq

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	15MAR2006	Time of Incident	1015
Type of Incident (I.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Use of Non Lethal Force		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	In the vicinity of Rt. [redacted] and Rt. [redacted], An Najaf, Iraq b2		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On 15 March 2006 at 0900 hours. Team [redacted] was tasked with a PSD movement from FOB Duke to the Najaf GC located at [redacted] b2</p> <p>Personnel involved: PSS [redacted] lead vehicle right rear, b6 PSS [redacted] follow vehicle right front passenger. b7c</p> <p>The team was configured in a [redacted] motorcade. After departing the Najaf GC and heading south on Route [redacted] the motorcade turned west onto Route [redacted]. The team was traveling west on Route [redacted] and turning left south onto Route [redacted]. There was heavy traffic and the motorcade was moving slowly through the traffic. All vehicles in the area were complying with the visual signals. As the motorcade approached the intersection the lead vehicle was blocking traffic from the north on Route [redacted]. PSS [redacted] noticed a vehicle making an aggressive move around the stopped traffic towards Team [redacted] motorcade. PSS [redacted] attempted to use verbal and visual signals to get the aggressive vehicle to stop. As the lead proceeded through the intersection, PSS [redacted] lost sight of the vehicle and called to PSS [redacted] in the follow vehicle that an aggressive driver from the north is headed towards the motorcade. PSS [redacted] spotted the vehicle, opened his door, shouted to stop and gave the Iraqi hand signal to stop, the driver ignored. PSS [redacted] had a sure fire light on his weapon and attempted to get the attention of the driver to stop by flashing the sure fire light. At this time, the aggressive driver was coming at the motorcade and was approximately 25 meters from the motorcade when PSS [redacted] fired 1 round from his [redacted] rifle into the grill of the vehicle. The aggressive driver immediately stopped and Team [redacted] motorcade proceeded south on Route [redacted].</p> <p>The PSS [redacted] radioed to the Detail Leader [redacted] that shots were fired at the intersection of Rt. [redacted] and [redacted] into a vehicle that failed to comply with all visual and verbal signals. Team [redacted] continued to travel south on Rt. [redacted] and turned onto Rt. [redacted]. When the traffic lightened up, the Detail Leader called [redacted] to confirm the incident at the last intersection. [redacted] replied with, a shot fired at the intersection of [redacted] and [redacted] at a gray Volvo that failed to yield to all visual and verbal signals. The Detail Leader explained the situation to the principal then called Bravo Whiskey Ops at 1020 hours and informed [redacted] of the shooting incident. The following information was sent, shots fired from the Follow vehicle at the intersection of [redacted] and [redacted] in An Najaf at a vehicle that posed a threat to our motorcade. The Detail Leader then told Bravo Whiskey Ops that more information would be sent once they returned to base. The mission continued without incident. When Team [redacted] returned to FOB Duke, the Detail Leader sent an encrypted message of the incident to the Senior Detail Leader and the Deputy Program Manager. Team [redacted] then commenced writing their statements for the RSO Al Hillah.</p> <p>I have verbally interviewed those involved in this incident, and have reviewed</p>		

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their written statements. I believe the statements to be true, accurate, and complete."

Please see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator's involved.

**Action Taken**

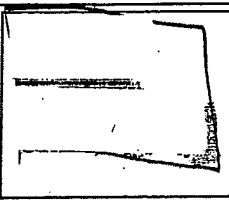
Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed, pin fires, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.

One round fired from [ ] into the engine of an aggressive vehicle. b2

**Follow Up Required**

Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.

Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.

<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>		<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>	<b>Follow</b>	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>	<b>Team</b>
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Team Najaf

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Sworn Statement

Date 15March06	Time 1015 hours
Location In the vicinity of Rt. 1 and Rt. 2 An Najaf, Iraq	

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I, [redacted] b6 b7c, hereby make the following statement at the request of [redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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I attended the US Department of State High Threat Protection Operations Course, at Blackwater Training Center in Moyock, North Carolina. Upon successful completion of the course, I deployed to An Najaf, Iraq and was assigned to Team [redacted]. Initially, I was assigned as CAV driver. One of my responsibilities was to react to any attack against the motorcade. I was then assigned as CAV Commander a short time later. I was responsible for all actions of the CAV truck as well as perimeter security on venue. Approximately one month later, I was assigned Shift Leader for Team [redacted] where I was responsible for the day to day operations of the team. I supervised training, mission planning, and was overall commander on venue. I worked to establish a team TACSOP and ensured all team members operated within it. Currently, I'm working on my second contract as a Personal Security Specialist in An Najaf, Iraq. During my military service I received extensive training in the use of the [redacted] Rifle, to include firing at known and unknown distances and at multiple targets both stationary and moving. I have also trained with this weapon in close combat and urban combat environments. I last qualified as expert with this weapon [redacted] in December 2005 and performed additional live-fire training with this weapon, [redacted] in March 2006.

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On March 15 2006 at approximately 1015 hours while manning the right front position of the Follow Vehicle of team \_\_\_\_\_ I discharged 1 shot into the grill of a Grey Volvo 4-door vehicle. This vehicle posed a threat to our motorcade at grid \_\_\_\_\_. There were only 3 PSS contractors in the Follow Vehicle; driver, front passenger, and left rear. b2 b2

While traveling from the Najaf GC to Camp Duke conducting a PSD movement, our \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle motorcade was in the process of turning left on MSR \_\_\_\_\_ from Route \_\_\_\_\_. It should be noted that the northbound lanes were reserved for marchers en route to Karbala. This left the southbound lane to handle two-way traffic. As the Lead Vehicle approached the intersection and stopped the marchers, the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ began maneuvering to the southbound lane. The \_\_\_\_\_ was still holding traffic to the rear on Route \_\_\_\_\_. At this time, the Lead pushed onto the southbound lane as well stopping northbound traffic, while the Follow Vehicle's responsibility was to stop southbound traffic. The driver began using his horn and flashing his headlights to get the attention of southbound vehicles, which initially was successful. However, as the Follow Vehicle approached the southbound side of MSR \_\_\_\_\_, I observed multiple vehicles stopped in the roadway. At this point, I heard PSS \_\_\_\_\_, advise via radio to watch out for a Grey Volvo that was passing the stopped vehicles on the southbound lane. I observed the Grey Volvo 4-door vehicle occupied by one occupant in the car who appeared to be a male dressed in white, drive off road, around the stopped vehicles and approach the motorcade as it was turning. The vehicle's distance at this point was approximately 100 meters. The Grey Volvo appeared similar to BOLO's I have received reference possible VBIED's. Furthermore, there is an existing threat against our motorcade and more importantly our principal. I felt this vehicle posed an imminent threat to the Limo and our Principal. I advised the driver of the situation and cracked my door all the way open and immediately gave clear and visible hand signals accompanied by verbal commands. I made eye contact with the driver and yelled at him to stop and again gave him hand signals to indicate same. At this point, the driver disregarded my verbal and visual commands and was aggressively driving and closing the distance between himself and the Limo. I raised my \_\_\_\_\_, and used my \_\_\_\_\_ surefire flashlight to get the drivers attention but this failed. At this point, I felt the safety of the motorcade was in jeopardy and thought the Volvo was going to hit the motorcade. When the vehicle was within 25 meters, I then fired one round into the grill of the Grey Volvo and it slowed to a stop on the side of the road. There was not a right rear PSS contractor in the Follow Vehicle, so I was responsible for this sector. I was unable to observe the driver exit the vehicle because our motorcade continued on with the mission. b2 b2 b6 b7c

The Mission continued without further incident. b2

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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USM/REO Al Hillah /BW APO, AE 09316	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15 day of  
March, 2006.

Signed
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature
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# Sworn Statement

Date 15 March 2006	Time Approx. 1015 hours
Location In the vicinity of [redacted] Intersection of MSR and Route [redacted] An Najaf, Iraq	

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I, [redacted], hereby make the following statement at the request of [redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

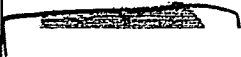
I, [redacted] am a certified DOS, Personal Security Specialist, assigned to Team [redacted]. On the above mentioned date and time, I was assigned to the right rear position of the lead vehicle, during a PSD movement from An Najaf Government Center to Camp Duke. While turning southbound onto MSR [redacted] from Route [redacted], I noticed a Grey Volvo aggressively swerve around multiple stopped vehicles and approach our PSD motorcade, I visually and verbally attempted to stop this vehicle, but was unsuccessful. After completion of the turn, I could no longer observe the potential threat and radioed back to PSS [redacted], who was riding right front in the follow vehicle, "Grey Volvo approaching from the north". [redacted] acquired the potential threat and noticed that the threat was still aggressively approaching the motorcade, and discharged his DOS issued [redacted] into the grill of the vehicle to disable it and keep it from entering the motorcade. The motorcade continued on without incident.

[redacted] PSS/DDM

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_ 16th \_\_\_\_ day of  
\_\_ March \_\_\_\_, 2006 \_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Summary:

As of 15 March 2006, a rear security officer fired one (1) disabling round into the engine compartment of a suspect vehicle in efforts to stop a potential threat.

During motorcade operations in Al-Hillah, the rear security officer observed a grey Volvo sedan (suspect vehicle) with one male occupant aggressively approaching the motorcade from the rear. The rear security officer immediately deployed verbal and non-verbal warning signs to stop, slow or divert the suspect vehicle away from the motorcade.

According to the report, the suspect vehicle failed to comply with all warning signs and continued to approach the motorcade conducting aggressive actions. At this time, the rear security officer fired one disabling round into the engine compartment of the suspect vehicle in efforts to stop the potential threat.

The suspect vehicle came to an immediate stop. There were no injuries or collateral damage to report. The motorcade continued without further incident.

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Should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

With much respect -

Sincerely,  
Victor Esposito  
Program Manager  
Department of State Programs  
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DS COMMAND CENTER

March 16, 2006

01:22 a.m. EST



## COM PSD FIRES TO DISABLE AGGRESSIVE VEHICLE

REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Al-Hillah

**SUMMARY:** On March 15 at approximately 10:15 a.m. local time, a Chief of Mission (COM) Protective Security Detail (PSD) shot to disable an aggressive vehicle that had driven to within close proximity of a motorcade in Karbala, Iraq. The vehicle immediately yielded, and the motorcade continued on to its destination.

**DETAILS:** At the time of the incident, the [redacted] car motorcade was attempting to negotiate heavy vehicular and pedestrian traffic as a result of the Arbayeen religious holiday (March 19 & 20). The follow car moved ahead into the intersection to stop traffic, and all traffic at the intersection yielded to allow the motorcade to pass. However, a gray Volvo 4 door sedan began passing the queue of vehicles stopped at the intersection. The shift leader in the follow vehicle opened his door and attempted to signal the vehicle to stop using his flashlight, hand signals, and verbal commands. The sedan did not heed these signals and continued toward the intersection. When the vehicle had not slowed its progress the shift leader fired one shot from his [redacted] rifle into the front grill of the sedan at a distance of less than 25 meters. The vehicle immediately slowed to a stop on the side of the road. The motorcade continued to its intended destination without further incident.

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**NEXT STEPS:**

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- The RSO has obtained written statements from all team members involved in the incident, and is awaiting supplementary diagrams to augment the depiction of this event.
- The REO leadership has ordered that no COM PSD motorcadés would transit between south-central provinces from March 16 through March 21 because of the 3-4 million pilgrims traveling as a result of the religious holiday.
- The RSO will provide relevant updates as they become available

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	15MAR2006	Time of Incident	00 1025
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non-Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Disabling Shoot		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Baghdad, Iraq Vic. Grid#		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FCHs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>In the fall of [ ] I began my current contract with Blackwater USA, inc. I arrived at my current location, Ba'qubah, Iraq, Forward Operating Base (FOB) Warhorse in September of [ ] I have been the Counter Assault Team (CAT) [ ] since that time. In all I have over 17 months on the ground in Iraq as a PSD team member and have been on hundreds of PSD missions all over the country, ranging from low profile (local vehicles/no armor) to high profile (Armored SUV's and Humvee's) operations, large team (15 men or more) to small team (4 men or fewer) missions.</p> <p>Before my deployment with Blackwater USA, inc. I received training, at their facility, in operating as a member of a protective detail. The training standards mirrored those used to train special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. After training I was sent to Iraq as part of Blackwater's contract with the Department of State. I have been working in Ba'qubah as a member of a protective detail and CAT [ ] for seven months. During this time I have served on countless protective detail assignments. Since I arrived on site in Ba'qubah, FOB Warhorse, to</p>		

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work with team [redacted] I have spent untold hours on the firing range working with all of my assigned weapons.

On 15 MAR 2006, team [redacted] was tasked with a move from FOB Warhorse to the International Zone in Baghdad, Iraq. To transport a Department of State official to the U.S. Embassy to attend official meetings as well as to attend to various administrative and operational issues.

On this mission, I was tasked as the [redacted] of the Counter Assault Team (CAT) Vehicle, an armored Hummvee. There are other individuals assigned to this vehicle, including a [redacted] with a [redacted] in the turret. I was equipped with my [redacted] with an [redacted] attached and a [redacted]. All of which were issued to me by the Department of State.

[redacted] departed FOB Warhorse at approximately 0900 hours and began our movement to the International Zone, Baghdad, Iraq. With a [redacted] motorcade.

On the rear of the CAT vehicle there is a bright red 3 foot by three foot sign that reads, in Arabic and English, "Convoy Ahead, Stay Back 100 Meters". The turret gunner was equipped with a 125 lumen long range Surefire flashlight, hand and arm signals, verbal commands, and a [redacted] as well as being in a highly visible position in a very high profile, very recognizable vehicle. All of these warning signals and indicators to stay away have worked for me personally, [redacted] other teams and innocent Iraqis on countless occasions. The CAT team had gone through three fully charged batteries on the rechargeable spotlight we were issued and switch to my personally owned and purchased Surefire. We were out of flares, both pen and parachute. We successfully used what we had, all of which has worked in the past, to warn those who wished us no harm of our defensive posture. On the occasions when these warnings were not heeded the appropriate actions were taken as per the Escalation of Force Continuum issued by the United State's Department of State.

Such was the case on 15 March 2006. Just prior to our final turn toward Checkpoint 2, the International Zone, I heard my turret gunner yell, "Qif, Qif" (Arabic for stop) at the top of his lungs. I looked back in my right side mirror and saw an ambulance approaching fast from our rear and straight toward us, this same ambulance was sitting idle at a complete stop until we drove by it in the previous intersection not more than 500 meters earlier. As we drove by this ambulance, in the previous intersection, it turned on its lights and moved to follow us. There have been innumerable examples of ambulances being used as VBIED's

(Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices) and mobile ambush platforms by the insurgency and Anti-Iraqi Forces throughout the ongoing struggle to free the Iraqi people.

Still glancing between road ahead and my side mirror, each time the, now threat vehicle, ambulance was closer and closer to the motorcade, I heard my turret gunner, still yelling verbal commands to stop in Arabic, fire a burst from his vehicle mounted gun. I observed the rounds striking the front of the threat vehicle's engine compartment in an attempt to disable the threat. When these rounds failed to stop the rapidly advancing threat, as instructed, my turret gunner then fired a concentrated series of bursts into the driver's side front wheel well of the threat vehicle in an attempt to disintegrate its mechanical parts and eliminate its capacity continue in its aggressive and threatening path to the rear of the CAT vehicle, the motorcade, and the Department of State official we were transporting to the U.S. Embassy.

This tactic worked, as the threat vehicle veered off its path and ground to a halt due to the extensive mechanical damage caused by the determined fire from my turret gunner, not due the intent of the driver.

At this time the vehicle ceased to be a threat and all firing stopped.

I, as CAT, then made the call to higher with the appropriate information and gave the "all secure" call.

then continued into Checkpoint 1 and the International Zone without further incident.

I as CAT, with over 17 months in Iraq, have full confidence in the judgment of my turret gunner and would have responded in exactly the same manner to protect my life, the lives of my teammates, the lives of those I am assigned to protect and the lives of the innocents who wish me no harm.

Given the constant and deadly threat of SVBIED's, Suicide Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device's and the use of stolen ambulances as such, in our area of operations and throughout Iraq all proper steps and precautions were taken by the CAT team in order to protect the lives of our principles, our team, ourselves and innocent civilians.

The driver of the threat vehicle failed to heed multiple and redundant warnings to cease in his aggressive and threatening approach toward

our vehicle. Including:

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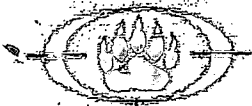
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Date of Incident	15MAR2006	Time of Incident	1025
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non Lethal Force/Distractive Devices) Deployed/Ambush	Disabling Shoot		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. include route name, local landmarks, and coordinates if known, etc.)	Baghdad, Iraq Vic. Grid#		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principles(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TC's sent for, and US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On 15MAR2006, team [ ] was tasked with a move from FOB Warhorse to Baghdad for vehicle maintenance and principal duties.</p> <p>The motorcade for this movement was [ ]</p> <p>The vehicle composition for the vehicles were: (1)</p> <p>The trip down from Ba'Qubah was marked with numerous pin flare discharges and constant 2 million candle power warnings. As the convoy entered Baghdad, the C.A.T. vehicle depleted their supply of secondary warning devices. The end result of running out of flares and the flash light being completely drained left the up-gunner with only hand signals for follow-on approaching traffic.</p> <p>As [ ] was approaching [ ] a "Red Crescent" ambulance failed numerous hand gestures and weapon flags, continuing into the lane of traffic while attempting to pass our convoy. [ ] fired one to two rounds into the grill of the threat vehicle, but the vehicle didn't yield. The threat vehicle zigzagged abruptly and accelerated towards the C.A.T. vehicle. [ ] engaged the threat vehicle with his [ ] with a burst of well aimed rounds into the grill of the threat vehicle until it stopped accelerating. The threat vehicle stopped in the roadway and we proceeded the remaining 100 feet into [ ].</p> <p>-----End of Statement-----</p>		

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<b>Action Taken</b> <small>(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e., deployed action, fires, deployed special weapons, systems, etc.)</small>	Secured the principal and gave a sit rep to the TOC
<b>Follow-Up Required</b> <small>(Indicate what if any follow-up actions are required, i.e., further investigation, notifications, etc.)</small>	Report to Higher

<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>	Report by: Team Leader	<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>	CAT	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>	[ ]	b2
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Date of Incident	15 March 2006	Time of Incident	1025				
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non-Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Disabling Shoot						
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Baghdad, Iraq Vic. Grid # _____ b2						
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principals involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>I was accepted and completed the High Threat Protection Operations Course #2, Blackwater Training Facility. The training standards mirrored those used to train Special Agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. I have worked continuously over the past two years for Blackwater WPPS in multiple areas of Iraq to include Najaf, Hillah, Baghdad, Fallujah, and Ramadi.</p>						

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On 15 March, team [redacted] was tasked with a move from FOB Warhorse to the International Zone in Baghdad. On this mission, I was tasked as the [redacted] / Turret Gunner in the Counter Assault Team (CAT) Vehicle.

The Cat vehicle is a US Military HUMMV, painted Desert Tan with a Turret and a bright red, 3' X 3', Warning sign that states in Both Arabic and English, "Convoy Ahead, Stay back 100 meters".

[redacted] departed FOB Warhorse at approximately 0900 hours and began our movement to Baghdad.

While traveling through Baghdad, heading towards Checkpoint 1, I observed a white Red Crescent vehicle sitting at an intersection. As our CAT Vehicle passed through and cleared the intersection the Red Crescent Vehicle turned on its red flashing lights and turned right into the lane behind our motorcade and followed in our direction of travel.

As the vehicle sped up and closed on our motorcade, and thus became a threat to my life and the other lives of the occupants of my vehicle, I followed the Escalation of Force Continuum by Shining a 125 lumen TurboHead Surefire Flashlight into the drivers' side of the vehicle to warn the driver off with no result. I then dropped the Flashlight and used Hand and Arm signals while screaming "QIF!!, QIF!!, QIF!!" and waving the barrel of my [redacted] up and down, again with no compliance from the driver of the threat vehicle.

The driver continued forward with no heed to my warnings.

After realizing the threat vehicle was not stopping, I fired one disabling burst to the front left of the grill of the vehicle.

The vehicle swerved right and back left towards the motorcade and increased its speed. At that time I fired 3 disabling bursts to the front left wheel well and tire. The tire went flat and the vehicle stopped in the middle of the street.

I took all required and available measures and all went unheeded by the driver of the threat vehicle.

END OF STATEMENT


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(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e.

secured my sector and gave a situation report to the CAT Team Leader.



Deployed/In-liaison/Deployed Specific Weapons Systems, etc.	
<b>Follow-Up Required</b> Indicate what follow-up actions required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.	Report to Higher

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<b>Operator(s)</b> Involved	Report by:  b6 Counter Assault Team Turret Gunner b7c	<b>Vehicles</b> Involved	CAT HUMMVV	<b>Team(s)</b> Involved	
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Date of Incident	15 Mar 2006	Time of Incident	1304
Type of Incident (e.g. Use of, Shift, Force, Use of, Not, or Less Lethal Force, Distractor, Demos, Deployed, Ambush)	USE OF LETHAL FORCE		
Location of Incident (Describe in detail, include date, time, local, and marks, geographical features, etc.)	b2		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail, include date, time, local, and marks, geographical features, etc.)	<p>On Wednesday March 15, 2006 at 0720 hours [redacted] a Tactical Support Team conducted a daily operation order to support all teams operating in the red zone for the day. [redacted] operation order includes: an intelligence brief; routes, times and venue locations of the teams operating for the day; a brief of our movement; and ends with the rules of engagement.</p> <p>At approximately 1300 hours we departed Venue [redacted] en-route to [redacted] in direct support of [redacted] and [redacted]. At this time [redacted] was stopped due to heavy traffic at [redacted]. During this time [redacted] created a security bubble and stopped all traffic traveling from behind and around [redacted]. At this time [redacted] rear turret gunner for [redacted] stopped all traffic, including an Iraqi Police vehicle, when an orange, four door sedan with a single male occupant drove around the stopped vehicles to the rear of [redacted] and continued towards the motorcade. At this time [redacted] the rear turret gunner, responded by using physical and verbal warnings directing the vehicle to stop. The orange sedan refused to stop after multiple warnings before [redacted] took one well-aimed shot to the grill of the vehicle. The vehicle then stopped and reversed about 10 meters before traffic began to move and [redacted] began to roll out to [redacted]. SL immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident and upon entering the IZ, [redacted] SL notified RSO/TOC again and gave more details of the incident. No injuries were observed to the suspect driver or to any bystanders or other vehicles in the area.</p> <p>Upon return to [redacted] Shift Leader and Detail Leader responded to the RSO TOC to brief the Department of State Agent on duty. Personal Security Specialist [redacted] responded to the same location for a Spot Report interview with a Department of State Agent,</p> <p>No further information at this time. Please see attached DS Sworn Statements of [redacted] and [redacted]</p>		
Action Taken (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployment, tactics, deployed special weapons systems, etc.)	One round fired from [redacted] into engine block of aggressive vehicle. b2		
Follow-Up Required (Indicate what follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	Pending any other action taken by RSO's investigative unit.		

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Operator(s) Involved	Shift Leader Rear Turret Gunner Fire Team	Vehicle(s) Involved	Mamba	Team(s) Involved	in support of and [redacted]
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Date 15 MARCH 2006	Time 1304
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I, [REDACTED] b6 b7C, hereby make the following statement at the request of [REDACTED], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

ON 15 MARCH 2006 AT APPROXIMATELY 1304 HOURS I WAS INSIDE THE REAR VEHICLE OF TEAM [REDACTED] WHILE MOVING FROM b2 VENUE TO [REDACTED] IN SUPPORT OF TEAM [REDACTED]. b2  
OUR CONVOY HAD STOPPED DUE TO TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN A TRAFFIC CIRCLE.

I OBSERVED [REDACTED] OUR REAR HATCH GUNNER TO STOP ALL TRAFFIC TO THE REAR BY USING HAND SIGNALS, b6 b7C  
I THEN OBSERVED AN ORANGE OLDER FOUR DOOR VEHICLE DRIVE AROUND ALL THE STOPPED TRAFFIC INCLUDING A MARKED IRAQI POLICE VEHICLE.

I OBSERVED THE ORANGE VEHICLE TO BE OCCUPIED BY ONE ARABIC MALE. I OBSERVED THE VEHICLE TO ACCELERATE TOWARDS OUR CONVOY.  
I THEN OBSERVED [REDACTED] TO FIRE ONE ROUND WITH HIS [REDACTED] b2 TO THE GRILL OF THE VEHICLE WHICH THEN STOPPED.  
I THEN OBSERVED A PEDESTRIAN AND IRAQI POLICE CONTACT THE DRIVER OF THE VEHICLE.

I OBSERVED NO INJURIES. b6 b7C  
IT SHOULD BE NOTED [REDACTED] HAD ALL TRAFFIC STOPPED APPROX. 100 METERS TO OUR REAR AND OUR VEHICLE WAS AT A COMPLETE STOP. I OBSERVED [REDACTED] FIRE WHEN THE VEHICLE WAS APPROX. 60 TO 80 METERS AWAY. b6 b7C

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	[Signature]
Printed	[Redacted]
Address	[Redacted] b6 b7c

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	[Signature]
Printed	Mike Duke
Address	250 TAC

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On Wednesday, March 15, 2006 at approximately 1304 hours, I was assigned to Team  a Tactical Support Team. I was assigned to ride in the rear Mamba and was sitting in the left rear seat, observing threats to the sides and rear of the follow Mamba vehicle.

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We had just departed our venue in support of teams [ ] and [ ] and were en-route to the International Zone. Our motorcade stopped in traffic at a traffic circle just northeast of Bridge [ ] that is identified locally as [ ] I do not know the local name of the traffic circle. b2 b2

I observed [ ] our rear turret gunner, stop all traffic to the rear of our motorcade by using hand signals. Traffic had stopped approximately 100 meters to our rear. At this time I observed an older orange four door vehicle drive around all the stopped traffic, including a marked Iraqi police vehicle. I observed the orange vehicle to be occupied by one arabic male and the vehicle continued to accelerate towards our motorcade. I could not see the top half of [ ] body because it was blocked by the top of the vehicle, as the top half of his body was outside of the hatch. After observing the vehicle continue toward our motorcade in a threatening manner, while all other traffic had stopped, I then heard [ ] to fire one round with his [ ] to the grill of the vehicle as it was approximately 60 – 80 meters away. The vehicle then immediately stopped. After a couple of seconds the vehicle reversed and stopped a short distance after. I then observed a pedestrian and an Iraqi Police Officer yelling at the driving and banging on the hood of his car. I did not observe any injuries to the driver or any bystanders. b6 b7C b2 b6 b7C

We then continued to the International Zone without any further incident.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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In [ ] I was hired by Blackwater as a Protective Security Specialist. Afer training, I was deployed to Iraq and have been on Team Tactical Support Team since.

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On March 15, 2006: I was position in the rear turnet, follow Mamba. We were in route to the International Zone and had to temporarily hold our position do to stopped traffic at [ ]. While we were stopped in security bubble, I was giving hand signals to oncoming traffic to stop. All traffic had come to a complete stop at One hundred meters when an older model, dark orange sedan pulled out from behind the stopped traffic and proceeded towards our formation. It should be noted that an Iraqi Police vehicle was in the group of stopped traffic. I gave more hand signals and verbal commands, in Arabic, but the vehicle failed to comply with my commands. It should also be noted that on the back of our Mamba, warnings are written in red, to stop, in both English and Aribic.

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I brought up my rifle and aimed, still giving verbal commands but the driver continued forward. I fired one (1) round into the grill of the vehicle which was now about seventy-five meters from our formation. The vehicle came to a complete stop then slowly reversed direction for approximately ten (10) meters. The vehicle was driven by one male with no passengers. The Iraqi Police vehicle pulled forward and started yelling at the driver and attempted to move the disabled vehicle out of the way of traffic. I notified the Shift Leader and we traveled back to the International Zone without further incident.

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On March 15, 2006 I was working as a member of a Tactical Support Team on Team [redacted] I was part of a [redacted] vehicle motorcade and was assigned to the rear turret position of the last/follow Mamba vehicle. We had departed from a [redacted] in support of Teams [redacted] and [redacted] and were in route to the International Zone. Being outside of the relative safety of the US Military controlled portion of the International Zone, we were operating in a part of Baghdad where para-military forces are known to be hostile toward U.S. presence and attacks on U.S. Military and Civilians are common. As we approached a Traffic Circle we had to stop and temporarily hold our position due to stopped traffic at this intersection. This intersection is just Northeast of Bridge [redacted] and is known as [redacted]. I do not know the local street name. While we were stopped, we created a security bubble or safety zone around our motorcade. This is necessary as a very common tactic of terrorist in the area is to use vehicles that are filled with explosives, and drive up to American Motorcades and detonate the explosives. The use of a security bubble is consistent with my training and operating procedures for tactical motorcade operation in Iraq. I created this security bubble by using hand signals to stop oncoming traffic. I was successful in doing so and all traffic had come to a complete stop at a distance of approximately one hundred meters from our motorcade. At this time an older model, dark orange sedan pulled out from behind the stopped traffic and proceeded towards our motorcade. It should be noted that an Iraqi Police vehicle was in the group of stopped traffic and was yielding to our motorcade as well. I gave more hand signals and verbal commands, yelling loudly in Arabic for the vehicle to stop, but the vehicle refused to comply with my commands. It should also be noted that on the back of our Mamba, warnings are written in red, and say "WARNING - Stay Back 100 Meters" in both English and Arabic.

I brought up my Department of State issued [redacted] rifle and aimed at the vehicle as an additional warning, still giving verbal commands - but the driver continued forward. Exhausting non lethal options, and with the vehicle continuing toward our motorcade in a threatening manner, I fired one (1) round into the grill of the vehicle in order to disable it. At this point the vehicle was now about seventy-five meters from our motorcade. The disabling shot was effective, as the vehicle came to a complete stop then slowly reversed direction for approximately ten (10) meters. The vehicle was driven by one Iraqi male and I observed no other passengers in the vehicle. Additionally, I observed no injuries to the suspect driver. As I scanned the area, for additional threats, I observed no injuries to any bystanders. The Iraqi Police vehicle that had stopped and yielded to us with the other traffic now pulled forward and started yelling at the suspect driver and attempted to move the disabled vehicle out of the way of traffic. I notified the Shift Leader and we traveled back to the International Zone without further incident.

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	16 Mar 2006	Time of Incident	0840
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Type of Incident (e.g. Use of Lethal Force, Use of Non or Less Lethal Force, Distraction Devices Deployed, Ambush)	USE OF LETHAL FORCE
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Location of Incident (Describe location in detail, include route name, local landmarks, and coordinates if known, etc.)	Local road turning off of river road going east to west grid [ ]
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Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, any other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, CNS and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	On Thursday, March 16 <sup>th</sup> , at 0740, [ ] Team Mosul staged and conducted a motorcade operation in support of four principles going to Council Hall, Mosul, Iraq. The operations brief for this particular mission was conducted the night before at 1800 hours. The brief was conducted per Mosul, Iraq's PSD briefing format. The brief included the overall intelligence picture for Mosul, to include highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as the possibility of SVBIEDs and VBIED's.
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	The load plan was as follows: [ ]
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	The river road runs north and south along the Tigris river from Route [ ] to the North and Route [ ] to the south. The intended route was for the team to cross the [ ] Bridge, turn south on the river road and travel to route [ ]. Just prior to route [ ] there is a short dog leg turn to the right that leads to a left turn to Route [ ]. Upon turning west off of River Road onto a local road, a one way street approximately 400 meters from our intended venue, the rear tactical support vehicle turret gunner [ ] was forced to fire two rounds into an aggressive vehicle. As the motorcade was traveling west on this local road, there were many parked cars mainly to the right flank of the motorcade along our intended route. As the motorcade lead and limo vehicles began to make a left turn south on another local road heading toward route [ ] the subject vehicle was seen pulling out from a parked position approximately 15 meters to the motorcade's right. [ ] issued verbal warnings and hand gestures to the subject vehicle's driver, who was alone and appeared to be looking straight at the rear tactical support vehicle at this time. [ ] the
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driver was already off-setting the rear tactical support vehicle to the right due to the left hand turn the motorcade was taking, so that the turret gunner could effectively watch for any threats directed towards the limo from oncoming traffic from the right. The suspect vehicle accelerated towards the limo, missing it to the rear and then falling in line with the motorcade. This action appeared to mirror the fatal attack that this team experienced last September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2005. The K-9 vehicle commander, [redacted] in order of movement, sent over the internal radio net that the subject car was breaking the integrity of the motorcade. He announced over the internal frequency nets "limo...behind you, go, go, go". At the same time, the K-9 vehicle driver, [redacted] slowed his vehicle to give stand off due to the probability that the subject vehicle was a SVBIED. This is a known TTP (Techniques, Tactics and Procedures) for SVBIEDs in the Mosul area. Once the subject vehicle broke the integrity of the motorcade, getting in between the [redacted] in the order of movement, and the K-9 vehicle, [redacted] in the order of movement, [redacted] engaged the vehicle with his DOS issued [redacted] with two [redacted] rounds. Both rounds were seen impacting on the subject vehicles trunk at a downward angle. The subject vehicle was at the time of the shooting approximately 5 meters from the K-9 vehicle and 25 meters in front of the rear tactical support vehicle. Once the rounds impacted the car trunk area, the subject driver immediately turned right out of the motorcade moving away approximately 15 meters. The subject vehicle driver appeared to be uninjured as the motorcade continued on with its mission. [redacted] Team Mosul SL immediately notified the TOC of the incident. The TOC then notified the RSO of the incident. The motorcade continued on to venue with no further incidents.

No further information at this time.  
Please see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator's involved.

#### Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, e.g. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons, systems, etc.)

Two rounds fired from a [redacted] into trunk area of an aggressive vehicle.

#### Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.

Operator(s)  
Involved

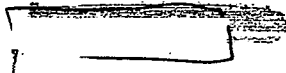
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Vehicle(s)  
Involved

Rear TST  
Vehicle

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Sworn Statement

Date 16 March 2006	Time 0840
Location Mosul, Iraq, [redacted]	

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I, [redacted] b6 b7c, hereby make the following statement at the request of Stephen Sexton, RSO, Mosul, Iraq, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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On Thursday, 16 March 2006 at about 0840 hours, I, [redacted] b6 b7c, employed with Blackwater Security Consulting as an Explosive Detector Dog handler for the Department of State mission in Mosul, Iraq. At the mentioned time, I was in the front right seat of the K9 vehicle, which is a fully armored black late model Chevrolet Suburban directing behind our Limo Suburban in a [redacted] b2 vehicle motorcade heading to the Council Hall in Mosul Iraq for a scheduled meeting. The driver of the K9 vehicle was [redacted] also employed with Blackwater Security Consulting as a Protective Security Specialist assigned to the Mosul site.

While traveling at the listed GRID of [redacted] b2 in moderate local traffic and a well known area for high threats of insurgent attacks and used very frequently by our team, the following actions had taken place.

Our motorcade was making a left 90 degree turn when a late model, dark colored four door sedan vehicle being driven by a single local national occupant about in his mid thirties cut into the path of our motorcade from the right side of travel directly behind our Limo Suburban. Our K9 vehicle was about 10 meters or so behind the Limo who had just made the left turn. I called out to our driver, [redacted] b6 b7c to stop the K9 vehicle and immediately called out over the handheld radio "LIMO BEHIND YOU...GO...GO...GO" b2

At which time I heard two shots sound off and the dark colored sedan immediately pull out from behind the Limo and pulled over to the right side of the roadway. As we passed the sedan, it appeared that the driver had not sustained any injury from the incident. The motorcade continued onward to the mission site without any further incidents.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	DECLASSIFIED
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Address	Mosul DOS Mission FOB Courage, Mosul Iraq

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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## Sworn Statement

Date 16 March 2006	Time 0840
Location Mosul, Iraq	

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I, [redacted] am a Protective Security Specialist (PSS) serving in Mosul, Iraq, under the auspices of the WPPS Program, for the Department of State. I am privileged to be one of only a few hundred Independent Contractors to have been selected, vetted, and deployed to Iraq by the State Department, in conjunction with Blackwater Security Company.

Previous to my being stationed in Mosul, I have served as a Shift Leader for the Advance Team (APD) to Ambassadors Jeffries and Khalilzad, and was formally vetted for Shift Leader by the Department of State in [redacted]. During my time in the Ambassador's Advance Team, I was detailed to the Blackwater Headquarters Cell in Baghdad, Iraq. While in charge of the [redacted] I was responsible for making decisions regarding personnel selection, dismissal, placement and training, in addition to administering tens of thousands of dollars of equipment and discretionary cash disbursements.

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Prior to my time in APD, I served with distinction in Al-Hillah, Iraq, fulfilling the duties of Counter Assault Team Member, Firearms and Ammunition Control Officer, and Protective Security Detail (PSD) member. Prior to Hillah, I was a founding member of Team [redacted] which was one of the first PSD units to stand up the WPPS contract following the

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occupation and eventual turnover by the Coalition Provisional Authority in Baghdad.

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In order to rise to the levels of accomplishment that I have here in the WPPS program, I have had to draw upon my considerable knowledge skills and abilities gained from a career in Federal Law Enforcement beginning

On March 16, 2006, at approximately 0830 in the morning, I, [REDACTED] Protective Security Specialist (PSS) for Blackwater Security Company, Mosul, Iraq, along with my team, departed Forward Operating Base (FOB) Courage en route to Council Hall, Mosul, Iraq, for a diplomatic meeting. I was located in the turret of my vehicle which was located in a diplomatic motorcade consisting of [REDACTED]

At approximately 0840, at grid location [REDACTED] Mosul, Iraq, I observed a black midsize sedan traveling forward and to the right of my vehicle, and parallel to our motorcade. Our motorcade slowed on a local road through downtown and was moving to the left of a large bus blocking the right lane of the one way thoroughfare, and at that time I observed the black vehicle accelerate quickly and lunge into our motorcade, between the K-9 FAV and the Limousine FAV, without warning. Having been briefed the previous day by our intelligence officer, [REDACTED] on a serious Al Qaeda produced Vehicle Born Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threat against Coalition Forces in Mosul, I saw the black sedan's actions as a threat to the lives of all the vehicles and their occupants in our motorcade. ~~Fearing for my life and the lives of our team and passengers I used force to stop the vehicle from continuing its~~

aggressive action. I placed two well aimed rounds into the left rear quarter panel of the vehicle, which reacted by veering off to the right and stopping on the curb bordering the street. As we passed by the vehicle, I observed a lone male occupant, approximately 30 years of age, with olive complexion and dark beard, short dark hair, staring straight ahead and sitting upright in the vehicle with both hands on the steering wheel.

Our diplomatic motorcade continued without incident and we returned to FOB Courage after completion of our mission.

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Mosul, [ ] Team, PSS	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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Date 16 March 2006	Time 1515
Location Mosul, Iraq	

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On Thursday, March 16, 0810, [redacted] Team PSD staged and prepared for the days movement to Council hall. The intelligence brief conducted the night prior included the overall enemy situation in Mosul and highlighted venue and route specific threats to include multiple suspected pending VBIED attacks and after action reports of attacks that had happened recently in the area. b2

I was the well gunner in the follow (HMMWV) Tactical support truck. This vehicle is the same type of vehicle that the Army and the Marine Corps use on a daily basis in Iraq. There were [redacted] other personnel in this vehicle. I was positioned in an armored tub in the rear of the vehicle directly behind the turret gunner. Both the turret gunner [redacted] and I were manning [redacted] b2 b6 b7C

Our mission today was to transport a Department of state diplomat to Council hall in downtown Mosul for scheduled meeting. On our movement to council hall my field of view was always to the rear of the motorcade. My task is to make sure vehicles do not close the minimum safe distance to the motorcade from the rear. To affect this task I use hand signals and physical gestures consistent with the escalation of force necessary to mitigate any current or perceived threat to the motorcade.



[redacted] area of responsibility is 180 degrees to the vehicles front. He calls out parked vehicles along side the road merging traffic and ~~any threats~~. I then take responsibility for maintaining visual contact with these danger areas and vehicles as we pass them. b6 b7c

On our way to council hall sometime after 0830 the motorcade was traveling through a congested city street when I heard 2 shots. Immediately after this [redacted] called out that there was a black car right. I looked over and saw the black car with one male Iraqi national occupant calmly staring at our passing motorcade. The motorcade then continued on without incident. b6 b7c

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On Thursday, 16 March 2006 at about 0840 hours, I, [redacted], employed with Blackwater Security Consulting as a Protective Security Specialist assigned to the Mosul site, was the shift leader of the [redacted] team which was conducting a motorcade operation to escort 4 principles to Council Hall, Mosul, Iraq.

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The load plan for the rear tactical support vehicle was as follows:

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While traveling east to west on a local road, I observed a dark colored four door sedan with a single male occupant of local decent trying to break the integrity of my motorcade at the listed GRID of [redacted]. At this time, traffic was moderate with parked cars to our right flank. This local road is approximately 150 meters in length. At the end of the local road (western end), one must make a left hand turn onto a one way road leading to Route [redacted] approximately 250 meters south.

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Our motorcade was in the process of making the left 90 degree turn heading towards Route [redacted] when the subject vehicle began to move slowly towards our motorcade from a complete stop. I noticed the driver look to his left at our motorcade. As the first vehicles of the

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motorcade, a [redacted] and a FAV (our limo) passed the subject car, the subject car began to move in between [redacted] vehicle in the motorcade at a 90 degree angle. At this point, after seeing the driver look at the motorcade and then begin to turn right to be driving in the same direction of our motorcade, I began to fear for the lives of my teammates and my own. I heard my turret gunner, [redacted] yell something at the car and then I heard two gunshots. I noticed the subject vehicle car then move immediately to his right out of the way of the motorcade. As my vehicle, the rear [redacted] tactical support vehicle passed the subject vehicle; I noticed the driver of the subject vehicle put his hands on the steering wheel. The driver appeared to have no apparent injuries. I radioed the incident into the Mosul Blackwater Tactical Operations Center and continued on with my mission with no further incidents.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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# Sworn Statement

Date	16 March 2006	Time	13:45
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On Thursday, March 16, 2006 at approximately 08:40hrs I was the driver of a TST follow vehicle in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade.

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As we approached the venue Council Hall 300 meters away I was off centered to the right side of the motorcade giving the upgunner a clear field of view to the limo. As we moved through town in mild to heavy traffic, I noticed a parked car from the rightside of the street shoot out from it's position heading directly into the motorcade between the rear of the limo and the front of the K9 vehicle. I immediately swung out futher giving the upgunner a better view of the subject vehicle. Then the vehicle paused a split second and continued forward towards the motorcade. That's when the upgunner fired two shots at the vehicle. The motorcade continued toward the venue. In passing I noticed the vehicle had come to a complete stop, only one occupant in the dark, 4 door, sedan.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	0001050700
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Address	b6 b7C Mosul DOS Mission FOB Courage, Mosul Iraq

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature
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Sworn Statement

Date	16 March 2006	Time	1331
Location			
Mosul, Iraq			

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On Thursday, March 16th, at approximately 0840 at the intersection listed above, I witnessed an aggressive vehicle moving towards our motorcade from the right. The vehicle was a dark colored 4 door sedan being driven by a local national male approximately 35 years of age. The male was further described as clean shaven with short hair. As the vehicle approached the motorcade from the right the driver distinctly looked directly to his left and observed the approach of the K-9 follow vehicle, which was directly following behind the limo at a distance of approximately thirty meters. The driver of the aggressive vehicle disregarded the approaching K-9 vehicle and approached the limo from behind in a very aggressive manner. At that time, I as the driver of the K-9 follow vehicle, as [redacted] b2 slowed and allowed stand off distance to accrue between the aggressor vehicle and mine. At the same time Blackwater operator [redacted] b6 b7c, who was the T/C of the K-9 follow immediately radioed to the limo the presence of the aggressor vehicle, which at this time had inserted himself into the motorcade. At that time I heard two shots coming from my immediate rear. The two shots seemed to emanate from the follow TST vehicle, but I did not witness the shots fired. The aggressor vehicle at that time pulled off to the right and out of the motorcade. The driver of the aggressor vehicle appeared to be unhurt and I could not see any damage to the vehicle. At that time the motorcade proceeded on to its destination. ...



I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Mosul DOS Mission FOB Courage, Mosul Iraq

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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REO - Mosul

16 March 2006



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Spot Report - 031606-02

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Mosul

**Summary:** On March 16, 2006, at approximately 0840 hours, RSO Mosul was notified that a COM PSD had engaged a LN vehicle with deadly force. The COM motorcade consisted of

[redacted] traveling to Council Hall from FOB Courage. As the COM motorcade approached a main intersection located near Council Hall it briefly stopped due to heavy traffic. During this short pause, a parked sedan along the right side of the road at the intersection attempted to enter the motorcade between the K-9 vehicle and the limousine. The sedan was occupied by a single male driver, who made eye contact with the K-9 tactical commander, and looked at the motorcade prior his attempt to pull out into the motorcade. As the vehicle pulled out from the side of the street, the up-gunner in the rear TST attempted to stop the driver using verbal and hand signals. The driver ignored the warnings from the rear TST up-gunner situated approximately 15 meters away and continued to pull out towards the motorcade. Before the vehicle could completely cut off the K-9 vehicle and rear TST from the motorcade, the rear TST up-gunner shot two [redacted] rounds into the trunk area of the sedan. The driver of the vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop. b2

No injuries or additional property damage were reported during the incident. The PSD motorcade continued to its destination without further incident.

**RSO Action:** RSO personally notified relevant FOB Courage Task Force personnel immediately following the incident.

RSO Mosul initiated an investigation. Sworn statements were obtained from the involved PSD personnel. In addition, a review of the Use of Deadly Force policy was conducted.

**Location:** Mosul, Iraq

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Report #: 06-8

# Incident-Casualty Report

## PPS - Iraq

Report Date/Time: 19 March 06/1415L

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### REPORTING INFORMATION

INCIDENT DATE/TIME:

16 Mar 2006/16:15

INCIDENT LOCATION:

Enroute from Red Zone back to the LZ at CP Baghdad, Iraq

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TOTAL # PERSONNEL INCIDENT DESCRIPTION:

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KIA: NA

WIA: NA

COM PSD Team fired one round to stop an aggressive vehicle.

There appeared to be no injuries.

REPORTED BY:

Tex Welch

METHOD:

Email and Phone

POINT OF CONTACT:

Tex Welch

TEL#:

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### VICTIM INFORMATION; NA

NAME (LAST, FIRST MI)

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PASSPORT:

ISSUED/EXP:

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BLOOD TYPE:

INJURIES:

STATUS:

PROGNOSIS:

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NEXT OF KIN:

### PROPERTY/EVIDENCE

(CODES: R: Recovered D: Damaged DX: Destroyed S: Stolen)

CODE	DESCRIPTION	VALUE	CURRENT LOCATION
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### NARRATIVE

Include Who, What, When, Where, Why, Summary of Actions (Continue on subsequent pages as necessary)

On March 18, 2006, at approximately 1615 hours, Team engaged a LN vehicle with deadly force. The COM motorcade consisted of [redacted] with 3 passengers. As the COM motorcade approached and began to enter CP [redacted] from the west, a blue 4-door sedan with clear access to the motorcade, approached at a high rate of speed on the opposite side of the median barrier. The right rear gunner in the assault vehicle attempted to stop the driver using verbal and hand signals and flashed the sure-fire light from his weapon. The lone occupant/driver ignored the warnings from the right rear and continued towards the motorcade. The rear gunner shot one [redacted] round into the grill and engine block area of the sedan at approximately 25 meters. The driver of the vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop and appeared to be uninjured. No injuries or additional property damage were reported during the incident. The PSD motorcade continued to its destination without further incident.

RSO Action: RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

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Sworn Statement

Date	18 MAR 06	Time	1630
Location			
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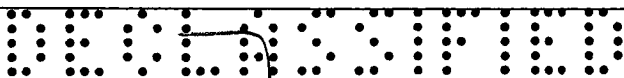
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed		
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Address	Baghdad, Iraq	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 18 day of  
MARCH, 2006.

Signed	
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature		
Printed	Mike Duke	
Address	R50 TOC	

# INCIDENT REPORT

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<b>Date of Incident</b>	18MAR2006	<b>Time of Incident</b>	1615 Approx.
<b>Type of Incident</b> <small>(Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non-lethal Force/Force Distraction/Force Deployed/Ambush)</small>			
Use of Lethal Force/Non Compliant Vehicle			
<b>Location of Incident</b> <small>(Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)</small>		Approx. 150 M. west of CP	
<b>Description of Incident</b> <small>(Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or USOC involved, other iteration nationals, TONS, and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)</small>		Shooting of Non Compliant vehicle, as he started to approach into the motorcade; one round to engine compartment.	
<b>Action Taken</b> <small>(Describe in detail what actions were taken, if any, deployed air forces, deployed specific weapons, systems, etc.)</small>		One round fired from [ ] into the engine of an aggressive vehicle.	
<b>Follow-Up Required</b> <small>(Indicate if further follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)</small>		Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.	

<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>		<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>	Assault FAV	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>	
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Saturday, March 18, 2006

I, [ ] was the Rt. Rear in the assault vehicle of [ ]. The assault vehicle is positioned behind the follow/last vehicle of the PSD motorcade. At approx. 1615, [ ] was supporting [ ] returning from the Mansour DAC. As the motorcade was approaching and beginning to enter CP [ ] from the west, I observed a blue 4 door car approaching at a high rate of speed also from the west, on Rt. [ ] on the opposite side of the median barrier. I glanced forward and saw that this vehicle had clear access to the PSD motorcade as they were crossing the median opening and entering the checkpoint.

I opened my door, yelled stop, flashed the surefire light mounted on my [ ] toward the vehicle and confirmed that the driver of the threatening vehicle was the only occupant. The driver of the threatening vehicle did not acknowledge me, and I fired one round from my [ ] into the engine compartment. The driver of the threatening vehicle brought the vehicle to a stop, looked at me, and stayed in place. He made no indication of being injured.

At this time the motorcade was moving into cp [ ] and we followed. I kept observation on the threatening vehicle as we entered the cp and noticed that it was beginning to creep forward again. At this point I was no longer in the position to take action toward the threatening vehicle as our follow vehicle had moved into position behind us. The motorcade continued into the cp [ ] with no further incident or contact, and returned to [ ] staging area and conducted our team debrief as common practice.

Detail Member/Medic

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RSO Baghdad

18 March 2006



Spot Report – 031806-02

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC- Baghdad

**Summary:** On March 18, 2006, at approximately 1615 hours, RSO TOC was notified that a COM PSD had engaged a LN vehicle with deadly force. The COM motorcade consisted of [redacted] with 3 passengers. As the COM motorcade approached and began to enter CP12 from the west, a blue 4-door sedan with clear access to the motorcade, approached at a high rate of speed on the opposite side of the median barrier. The right rear gunner in the assault vehicle attempted to stop the driver using verbal and hand signals and flashed the sure-fire light from his weapon. The lone occupant and driver ignored the warnings from the right rear gunner situated approximately 50 meters away and continued towards the motorcade. The rear gunner shot one [redacted] round into the grill and engine block area of the sedan at approximately 25 meters. The driver of the vehicle came to an immediate controlled stop and appeared to be uninjured. No injuries or additional property damage were reported during the incident. The PSD motorcade continued to its destination without further incident. b2

**RSO Action:** RSO is investigating the shooting; PSD Team members are completing their written statements.

**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

March 22, 2006



SPOT REPORT 032206-01

**SUBJECT:** Shoot-to-Disable Incident

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Al-Hillah

**SUMMARY:** On 22 March 2006 at approximately 0715 hours, a COM PSD shot-to-disable a fast-moving vehicle that had driven to within close proximity of PSD personnel. The PSD's [ ] vehicle motorcade was preparing to depart the Hillah Provincial Council Building, and [ ] PSS personnel were assigned to stop oncoming traffic on Rt. [ ] in order to allow the motorcade to exit the area. After waiting for a lapse in traffic, these personnel stepped into the westbound lanes of Rt. [ ] to make themselves visible to oncoming traffic. As traffic began to halt and pull over to their front, a dark grey or black sedan traveling at a high rate of speed and moving toward their position came to their attention. As this vehicle closed to app. 150 meters from their position the PSS personnel attempted to signal it by waving their arms, displaying commonly used Iraqi hand gestures, and shouting verbal commands. The vehicle did not yield to these signals and as it closed to app. 60 meters, 2 PSS transitioned to a ready position with their [ ] carbines while the third PSS continued to attempt to signal the vehicle. When the vehicle closed to within app. 35 meters, 2 PSS personnel aimed at its front grill and each discharged a single round. The vehicle rapidly came to a halt app. 20 - 30 meters from the PSS, and then backed a short distance before pulling off the road into a parking

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area on the north side of Rt. [REDACTED] The motorcade departed the venue and returned to the REO without further incident. b2

**RSO ACTION:** RSO is investigating this incident. Preliminary interviews have been conducted, and sworn statements/supplementary diagrams will be submitted by personnel involved on a standardized deadline. RSO will advise of relevant developments after follow-on interviews are conducted, and all available information has been thoroughly reviewed. RSO has conducted a review of the escalation of force policy with PSD personnel.

**LOCATION:** Al Hillah, Iraq

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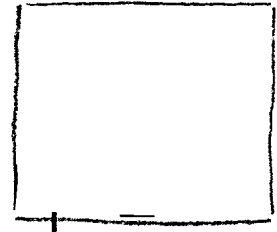
Aggressive Car 1/60 Meters

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Aggressive Car 1/ 35 Meters,  
shots fired

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	22 March 2006	Time of Incident	0716
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Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distracting Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Use of Lethal Force
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Hillah Provincial Council Building (Former Bath Party Building) Adjacent to Route _____ Grid _____
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, ICNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On 22 March 2006, at approximately 0700 hours, USAID PRS _____ Team, departed the Al Hillah REO in order to conduct a Reconnaissance mission to the site of a future Provincial Council Building in Al Hillah at the above stated location to gather information for a future mission. The team was moving in a vehicle motorcade, which consisted of _____</p> <p>_____ Team arrived on venue approximately 3-4 minutes after departure from the REO. The vehicle traffic was very light heading South on Rt. _____ toward the objective. The motorcade made a right turn off of Rt. _____ onto Rt. _____ heading West, at which time the motorcade began to slow as it approached the venue. As the team was turning right into the objective location, the Bear Cat blocked Rt. _____ off and stopped all approaching traffic from the East. The team then deployed from the Suburbans in order to conduct the Recon and gather information and pictures of the venue. At this time the SL, _____ called over the radio for the Bear Cat to restage at the entrance and let the oncoming traffic pass by. All vehicles were parked and staged in a small open area adjacent to Rt. _____ outside of the venue which was a gated and walled compound. Upon the completion of the Recon, which took about 10 minutes, the order to prepare for departure was given by the SL. Those instructions were to restage the vehicles and for the Counter Assault Vehicle to push out and block traffic. Traffic appeared to be light to moderate at this time. At approximately 0715, _____ IC's, _____ proceeded into the street during a break in traffic to stop all approaching traffic. Another IC, _____, also moved to the sidewalk on the North side of the 4 lane road to provide over watch security. The _____ IC's, _____ all began waving their hands and arms to visually signal along with verbal warnings for approaching traffic to stop. Up to this point, all details of the incident seem to coincide. There appears to be different perceptions of the incident between _____ and _____, who witnessed the incident and _____ and _____, who were both the shooters. According to _____ he had gotten the attention of the driver and noticed the vehicle had begun slowing and was changing lanes to pull over to the shoulder. According to both shooters, _____ and _____, the driver was not heeding visual warnings, changed lanes and accelerated toward them. Also, the color of the vehicle varies from a Silver and Grey sedan seen by _____ and _____ to a Black sedan seen by _____ and _____. All members stated that traffic was about 250 meters back when they started signaling but that distance varies from where the actual shooting took place to where the vehicle stopped. The overall result was that 2 total shots were fired, one each from _____ and _____ in an attempt to disable an approaching vehicle that they regarded as a threat. After the shots were fired, the vehicle began backing up to increase the distance separation toward other traffic that had already stopped. An _____ Smoke grenade was then deployed and the</p>

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team loaded up and departed venue.

Upon Departure, the SL immediately notified BW Ops and the Senior Detail Leader of the situation and returned to the REG.

Please see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator's involved.

I have verbally interviewed those individuals involved in this incident and have reviewed their written statements. I believe the statements to be complete and represent the perceptions of each individual involved.

**Action Taken**

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin plates, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

Both verbal and visual signals were used, followed by 2 shots fired, then finally deploying an [redacted] Smoke grenade. The SL immediately notified Ops of the incident.

**Follow-Up Required**

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Operator(s)  
Involved

Vehicle(s)  
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Team(s)  
Involved

USAID Team  
Team [redacted]

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USAID PRS [redacted] Team  
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As of 22 March 2006, the rear security officers fired two (2) simultaneously disabling rounds into the engine compartment in effort to stop a potential threat.

During motorcade operations, the rear security officers observed an dark sedan (suspect vehicle) with two occupants rapidly and aggressively approaching the motorcade from the rear. The rear security officers immediately deployed verbal and non-verbal (smoke grenade) warning signs to stop, slow or divert the suspect vehicle away from the motorcade.

According to the report, it appears the suspect vehicle failed to comply with all warning signs and continued to close the distance to the motorcade presenting a potential impending threat. At this time, the rear security officers fired two disabling rounds simultaneously into the engine compartment in effort to stop the potential threat. The suspect vehicle came to an immediate stop. There were no injuries or collateral damage to report. The motorcade continued without further incident.

NAMES: [redacted] (fired one disabling round)  
[redacted] (fired one disabling round)

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WEAPONS: [redacted]

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AMMO: [redacted]

Should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me via email.  
Thank you and have a great day.

V/R -

Sincerely,  
Victor Esposito  
Program Manager  
Department of State Programs  
703-399-0012

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## Sworn Statement

Date 22 March 2006	Time 0715
Location Hillah Provincial Council Building (Former Bath Party Building) Adjacent to Route _____ Grid _____	

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On 22 Mar 2006, at approximately 0715 I \_\_\_\_\_ a certified Department of State Contractor Explosive \_\_\_\_\_ for USAID PRS \_\_\_\_\_ Team was preparing for departure of the above location after our team had completed our recon of the area for future missions. The team leader, \_\_\_\_\_ called for a restage of vehicles and to push the Counter Assault Vehicle (CAV) out to block traffic to allow for our departure. The venue was on the north side of Route \_\_\_\_\_ which is a four lane highway with a five foot wide concrete curb median in the middle dividing the two west bound lanes from the two east bound lanes. We were going to be departing venue heading West with the flow of traffic on Route \_\_\_\_\_. When the team leader makes the call for restage and departure I \_\_\_\_\_ start walking down the sidewalk about fifty to seventy five meters past the departure point in the direction of on coming traffic waving at traffic and getting them to stop while at the same time the CAV will pull out of the departure point blocking traffic. The CAV is my over watch while I am stopping traffic and has ample stand off distance. Once I have stopped traffic \_\_\_\_\_ in front of the CAV I will then proceed to my vehicle allowing the CAV a good stand off distance and we will depart venue. I waited for three heavy movers to pass by as well as some sedans and I had a good break in traffic to proceed into the road. There was not a car coming for about two-hundred and fifty meters and I began to proceed out into the street waving and making my presence known to all on-coming traffic from the East to allow ample distance for the CAV to pull out into the road without any incident. Vehicles began pulling off to the shoulder side of the road at about fifty to one hundred meters away from us as they saw me. At this time I was almost to the median, to my left was \_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_ left was \_\_\_\_\_. We were all in a straight line facing East towards the traffic. At about one hundred and fifty meters I saw what appeared to be a dark grey in color four door sedan

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with two male occupants wearing white shirts driving at us at a high rate of speed. The occupants appeared to be thirty to forty in age. I could tell by the driving and facial expressions of the driver that he had not seen us yet; the distance at that time was between seventy five and one hundred meters. At that time the vehicle was directly in front of me at that distance and closing when I began to wave both arms as opposed to just one and giving my dog full length of his leash as he was hooked to my gear. At about fifty meters I saw the front of the vehicle appear to go down as if he was applying his brakes to try and stop, and I could tell that the driver had seen us by the expression on his face, at that exact moment one shot was fired by [redacted], I did not see him shoot as I was watching the occupants of the vehicle but due to the sound of the shot, I was able to tell who shot first, especially when the second shot was fired from [redacted] who was standing next to me. I had not raised my rifle when the first shot was fired. The vehicle then began to swerve from the median side of the road towards the shoulder of the road but at an angle in our direction. The vehicle was in a swerve when the second shot was fired by [redacted]. The vehicle came to a stop about thirty meters in front of us and about one-hundred meters in front of the CAV at a forty five degree angle with the front of the car facing the shoulder of the road at about five meters from the shoulder of the road. I did not see where either of the rounds fired impacted. From the point we first saw the vehicle to where the vehicle came to a stop was a total of about ten seconds. Both occupants of the vehicle placed their hands up in the air and appeared to move about freely and appeared to be injury free. I then surveyed the area visually for any injuries or threats outside of the suspected vehicle itself. A cyclist on the shoulder had taken cover behind the vehicle on the sidewalk but got up and continued on his way heading East. I then looked at the other occupants in the other vehicles that were stopped and there did not appear to be any injuries in the other vehicles. The suspected vehicle then began to back up and all other traffic was stopping at about one hundred meters away from us and about one-hundred and seventy five meters from the CAV vehicle that was preparing to pull out. [redacted] then took an [redacted] smoke grenade from my back pack and tossed it about thirty meters down the road in the direction of traffic. Normally I don't throw a smoke grenade as the drivers will see me and stop. [redacted]

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Signed

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Address

USAID PRS [ ] Team, Al Hillah REO

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Signed

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature

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Address

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## Sworn Statement

Date

22 March 2006

Time

0745

Location

250 meters, west of the interception of Karbala circle  
on Rt. 

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Our mission today was to conduct a Reconnaissance mission of the former Baath Party Headquarters, Al Hillah, Iraq, for planned future meetings. The motorcade consisted of a [ ] vehicles, in which I was the vehicle commander of vehicle [ ] a Bearcat fighting vehicle. We departed REO Hillah at approximately 0700hrs, traveling south on Rt. [ ] turning west onto Route [ ]. Route [ ] is a divided multi-lane roadway, with traffic flowing both east and west. The target venue was approximately 250 meters west of the intersection of Route [ ] and Route [ ] located on the north side of Route [ ] grid location [ ]

Upon arrival at the venue, the motorcade was forced to park outside the venue, which has a gated and walled compound, just off of Route [ ] in a dirt parking area. PSD members dismounted their vehicles and took up stationary outer security of the venue and Route [ ]. The Bearcat driver [ ] remained in the vehicle, as well as [ ] who was serving as the turret [ ] observer/gunner. The Bearcat was stopped, just off of Route [ ] facing east towards oncoming traffic, with the emergency red/blue strobe flashers lit.

Westbound traffic flow past the stopped motorcade was moderate, with vehicles moving to the innermost lane..(against the concrete median) of the westbound lane as they passed the motorcade.

At approximately 0715hrs, the order was given to start re-staging the vehicles for departure. The other PSD vehicles began moving in an effort to re-stage. I then observed [redacted] Team [redacted] began walking towards Route [redacted] to hold traffic, so our vehicles could safely exit. I joined [redacted] and we allowed immediate traffic to pass by. At this time, remaining westbound traffic was approximately 250 meters east of our location, at Karballa circle. Team member [redacted] myself and Bearcat team member [redacted] then walked out onto Route [redacted] to hold any further traffic. [redacted] was nearest to the center concrete divider, in the outside lane, then [redacted], and myself in the center lane.

I then observed what appeared to be a black 4 door sedan, similar to that of recent intelligence reports of threatening vehicles in our area, approximately 150 meters away, traveling west bound, in the inner most lane, nearest to the center concrete median, traveling at a high rate of speed. I began giving hand signals to stop. At approximately 60 meters away, while still giving hand signals to stop, I raised my Department of State issued [redacted] and used the [redacted] sight to observe that the vehicle appeared to contain 2 occupants.

At approximately 40 meters away, it appeared to me, that the driver observed that we were attempting to hold traffic, then accelerated and changed lanes to the center lane, coming directly at my, and teammate [redacted] position. I feared for the safety of my teammates and myself, and at approximately 35 meters away, I fired a single shot from my Department of State [redacted] at the front grill area of the aggressive vehicle. As I was preparing to fire a second shot from my [redacted], I heard the shot report from [redacted] carbine also. I did not fire a second round. I then observed the aggressive vehicle slam on the brakes, skidding to a stop approximately 20 meters from my location.

Time between taking up positions on route [redacted] to observing the aggressive vehicle, to that of my shot, and Lynch's subsequent shot, was approximately 15 seconds.

The aggressive vehicle then backed up a short distance, and pulled off the roadway into a parking area on the north side of Route 62. It did not appear that the occupants were injured. However my observations were then directed toward other approaching vehicles, which slowed and then stopped, approximately 150 meters from my location.

Smoke was then deployed to hold any additional vehicular traffic back. The remaining PSD team members then returned to their respective motorcade vehicles and we departed the venue without further incident, and returned to REO Al Hillah.

I have no further information at this time.



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# Sworn Statement

Date 22 March 2006	Time 0715
Location Hillah Provincial Council Building (former Bath Party Building) Adjacent to route _____ Grid _____	

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I, \_\_\_\_\_ am a Certified DSS contractor and assigned as a PSS on USAID PRS \_\_\_\_\_ Team, located at REO, Al Hillah, Iraq. I was on perimeter security during the time of the incident.

On 22 March 2006, at approximately 0700 hours, my team along with Team \_\_\_\_\_ attachments, were departing the Al Hillah REO in order to perform a Reconnaissance mission to the future site of the Al Hillah Provincial Council building for possible future missions with principals. After completion of our Recon, the SL, \_\_\_\_\_ called over the radio for the drivers to restage vehicles and the Counter Assault Vehicle (CAV) to block traffic for preparation to depart the venue. \_\_\_\_\_ Contractor's including \_\_\_\_\_ along with his assigned canine, \_\_\_\_\_ and myself, \_\_\_\_\_ moved out to the road to stop approaching traffic prior to our departure from venue. I stopped at the North side of the 4 lane road on the side walk covering the Rear flank of the IC's, facing to the West. From my position, I also had visual of the South East sector while the other contractors proceeded into the road. I saw what appeared to be a four door silver sedan was approaching from the East at 250 meters and did not acknowledge hand and arm signals from the above mentioned team members. I saw the three team members waving off traffic and two of the team members, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, fired one round each resulting in the vehicle stopping approximately 30 meters from their position. Immediately after the shootings, \_\_\_\_\_ our SL made a radio transmission on our team frequency saying "who shot?" I, \_\_\_\_\_ responded by saying, "we shot and traffic is backing off." I saw a driver and one other occupant putting their hands up and then they began backing their vehicle away from our position. I did not see where the rounds impacted. The vehicle occupants appeared not to be injured. \_\_\_\_\_ deployed an \_\_\_\_\_ smoke grenade and the team loaded up and departed location.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address

USAID PRS [redacted] Team, PSS, Al Hillah REO

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# Sworn Statement

Date  
22 March 2006

Time  
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Location  
250 meters west of the interception of Karballa circle on  
Rt. \_\_\_\_\_

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Currently I am the [ ] facing the rear of the vehicle of the Bearcat. Our vehicle position is to be the [ ] vehicle in motorcades. This vehicle is a new type of vehicle that Team [ ] just received. There are only [ ] of these vehicles in Iraq. There are [ ] other personnel in this vehicle. I was armed with a U. S. Department of State issued rifle designated as the [ ]. During my military service I received extensive training in the use of this weapon, to include firing at known and unknown distances and at multiple targets both stationary and moving.

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I last qualified with this weapon in September 2005 and performed additional live-fire training with this weapon in March 2006.

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Our vehicle utilizes lights, sirens, horn, and red and blue strobe flashers of the Bearcat to ensure cars and other threats keep a safe distance away from our motorcade. I also use voice commands such as "kiff", meaning patience/stop in the Iraqi language and physical gestures to keep these same threats at a safe distance away from our motorcade. It has been my experience that most Iraqi drivers heed all of these signs and keep a safe distance away from the motorcade.

On Wednesday, March 22nd, at 0700, Team [ ] conducted an operational mission in direct support of Team [ ] Reconnaissance of the former Baath Party Headquarters Al Hillah, Iraq for future meetings.

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Once on venue the Bearcat was required to park outside the venue which was gated, leaving us exposed to the street which was 5 yards away. Members of the PSD team dismounted and provided security. The bearcat was facing east with the emergency strobe lights lit.

Team [ ] having completed their reconnaissance gave the order to reposition the vehicles. At that time the Bearcat was backing up to the street to provide physical and visual road block for the motorcade to depart west on Route [ ] a multi-lane roadway. Grid location [ ]

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I saw teammate [ ] start walking to the street to stop the flow of traffic from continuing to proceed west, followed by teammate [ ] I also followed to assist to increase visual presence for the oncoming motorists. Before all three of us enter the street we allowed two trucks and two bicycles to pass us, after which we entered the street spreading out to enhance our visual capability. There was oncoming traffic proceeding from 250 meters out. I started to raise my hand in a motion to demonstrate "Kiff". The traffic appeared to be slowing down except for one vehicle on my right side close to the median which was coming at a high speed.

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This vehicle which appeared to be a black 4 door sedan, similar to that of recent intelligence reports of threatening vehicles in our area, proceeded still and was now 150 meters out and still approaching at a high rate of speed. I saw teammate \_\_\_\_\_ raised his hand again as the vehicle was now 60 meters away and raised his weapon at the same time.

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At 40 meters the vehicle change lanes coming from the far right to the middle of the lane and now coming straight towards myself and teammate \_\_\_\_\_ position and seemed to accelerate. I feared for the safety of my teammates and myself. Teammate \_\_\_\_\_ fired a single shot followed by myself firing a single shot to the grill area of the vehicle. I then observed the vehicle apply the brakes and come to a skidding stop which was now 20 meters away.

From the time myself, teammate \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ entered route \_\_\_\_\_ to take positions to slow oncoming traffic to the firing of mine and teammate Burton's weapon was approximately 15 seconds.

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I observed the black sedan pull off the road. At which time my attention was focus on a white truck coming towards our direction but stop at 150 meters out. I then grabbed a smoke grenade from teammate \_\_\_\_\_ and deployed it to hold any more traffic. We loaded back into our vehicles and headed out on route \_\_\_\_\_ going west and returned to the REO.

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No further information at this time.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 22nd day of

March, 2006

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident: 2 Apr 2006 Time of Incident: 1145

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Type of Incident: USE OF LETHAL FORCE  
(i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)

Location of Incident: - Approximately 200 meters from the Ministry of Finance, Northern Baghdad.

Description of Incident: On Sunday, April 2nd, at 1145, [redacted] staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission in direct support of [redacted] PSD mission to MO Finance [redacted]. The brief was conducted per [redacted] SOP and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible multiple VBIED's.

The load plan was as follows:

Upon departure from [redacted] via the [redacted] route, [redacted] was traveling Northeast towards [redacted]. As [redacted] approached the overpass at [redacted], a motorcycle was witnessed pulling out from the right merging lane and was approaching our motorcade. The driver of the motorcycle was wearing a black ski mask and was operating his vehicle in an erratic and aggressive manner. The motorcycle was weaving in and out of traffic and was passing traffic that had stopped or slowed following the guidance of the follow vehicle gunners.

*It should be noted that there is an active direct threat against the Minister and the Ministry of Finance. This is the Ministry that we were approaching and enroute to. Furthermore, it should be noted that there has been recent Intel passed from the Intel shop regarding motorcycle VBIED's and suicide bombers using motorcycles as a delivery device. It also should be noted that on the rear of our, black in color, fighting follow vehicle it says in big, bold white letters "Warning stay back 100 meters" in both English and in Arabic..*

As [redacted] approached [redacted] the motorcade slowed down for a hard left U-turn. [redacted]'s rear gunners were issuing verbal commands "kiff" and visual commands for the driver to stop. The motorcycle driver refused to comply with the commands and continued toward the motorcade in a threatening manner. The well gunner used his spotlight

to get the attention of the driver, but the driver of the motorcycle continued to ignore our warnings. At that time the well gunner shot one pin flare directly at the motorcycle. There is no way the motorcycle driver could not have seen the flare shot at him. He continued to ignore the warning of the three PSS gunners and continued toward the follow vehicle in an aggressive manner. At this point the follow vehicle gunners had exhausted all less lethal forms of force. With consideration to the threatening manner in which the driver was operating the motorcycle, the fact that he was wearing a ski mask (which is unusual unless worn by Iraqi Police or Military), recent Intel regarding motorcycle VBIED's and the fact that the driver repeatedly ignored multiple less lethal warnings - The vehicle was considered a direct threat to the motorcade.

At this point the well gunner fired one well-placed round from his [ ] into the front tire of the aggressive motorcycle. The motorcyclist appeared uninjured and immediately swerved away and to the side of the road, out of view.

[ ] SL immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident.

Upon return to [ ] SL, Well Gunner and the [ ] detail Leader reported to the RSO/TOC for a debrief and spot report.

No injuries or additional property damage was observed. For further information see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator's involved. -END-

#### Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)

One Round Fired from an [ ] into the front tire of the Motorcycle.

#### Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Pending any other action taken by the RSO's investigative unit.

Operator(s)  
Involved

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Team(s)  
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Location

- Approximately 200 meters from the Ministry of Finance, Northern Baghdad.

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, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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62 I have been with Blackwater Security Consulting, supporting the Diplomat Security Mission, since [redacted] Since my time with Blackwater I have been on Team [redacted] where I was Front Right Gunner. I then moved to team [redacted] where I was a Right Rear gunner and participated in; Fly away missions to Nassiriyah and Tactical Site Surveys. During my tenure at Team [redacted] I was also assigned to APD as well where I worked at the Villa for a month. As of now I am the Right Rear Gunner in the Follow Vehicle.

✓ While in support of Team [redacted] in route to Ministry of Finance on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April 2006 at 1145 at [redacted] I [redacted] was seated in the right rear of the follow vehicle. I observed a small motorcycle being driven by a single rider dressed in all black with a black ski mask on. Vehicle traffic to the rear of our vehicle recognized our motorcade and had slowed down and turned their hazards on yielding to us. At this time the driver on the small motorcycle continued through the traffic approaching the rear of our motorcade. At this time the well gunner, [redacted], began to give the proper hand signals and flash the occupant with the million power spot light. The weather was overcast which intensified the visibility of the spot light. During this time I, [redacted] was also giving the proper verbal "Kiff" and hand signals to the occupant. The motorcyclist continued to approach the rear of our motorcade. The Well Gunner, [redacted] then fired one Pen Flare at the motorcyclist. The pen flare was in clear view of the motorcycle driver but still the driver continued to approach the rear of the motorcade. By this time the motorcyclist was between 20 and 30 meters from the rear of the motorcade. The motorcyclist's appearance and behavior were outside the norm. The driver was wearing a bulky coat and ski mask. I have only

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observed ski masks being worn by Iraqi Police, Military, and Security or by terrorists. There was nothing about the appearance of the motorcyclist that indicated an official capacity as I have recognized in the past. In addition to his suspicious dress, his behavior was suspicious as well. All other traffic, traveling in the same direction he was, had recognized and yielded to us. The motorcyclist, however, weaved through traffic and accelerated toward us, despite several different warnings directed at him. Additionally, Intelligence Briefs presented recently, warned of motorcycle borne explosive devices.

After all less than lethal attempts to stop the aggressive motorcycle's progress toward us were ignored; the well gunner fired a single disabling shot at the front tire of the motorcycle. The motorcyclist then slowed down and turned right towards the side of the road and appeared to have stopped. There were no apparent injuries to the motorcyclist or any additional property damage. Our motorcade continued on to the venue with no further incidents. -END-

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed
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Address
DSS/RSO/BW APO, AE 09348

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of  
April, 2006.

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Date 02 April 2006	Time 1145
Location _____ - Approximately 200 meters from the Ministry of Finance, Northern Baghdad.	

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In \_\_\_\_\_ I contracted with \_\_\_\_\_ High Threat Security Company here in Iraq. I spent most of my time with them in Baghdad and Mosul doing all forms of personal security, with the highest regard to escalation of force to include, Show, shout, shove and shoot. As well as the same rules of engagement set forth by the Dept. of State.

In \_\_\_\_\_ I contracted with \_\_\_\_\_ Security Company. This time I was stationed in Najaf, Iraq. For 3 months we did High Threat Protection and convoy security for the Army Corps of Engineers. This

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company adhered to the same rules of engagement as well as show, shout, shove and shoot escalation of force set forth by the Dept. of State.

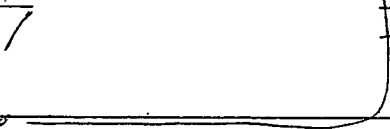
On [redacted] I reported to Blackwater's Department of State training facility in which I was properly indoctrinated in the rules of engagement for all State Department Contractors to include escalation of force and proper handling of threats in a PSD motorcade. It was there that I was found proficient with [redacted] assault rifle, Handguns, Shotguns as well as non lethal forms of de-escalation techniques. I arrived in Baghdad, Iraq on Dec. 22, 2005 in which I became a door gunner in the lead vehicle of a CAT team (Counter Assault Team). On January the 8<sup>th</sup> I transferred to [redacted] which is a Tactical Site Survey / Advance Team. Since this move I have been a well gunner in the fighting follow vehicle, and a door gunner at each position. I have been under the leadership of three different team leaders all of which include the escalation of force as well as the rules of engagement during every pre-mission brief.

On Sunday, April 2nd, at approximately 1145, we were traveling northeast near the overpass of [redacted]. I was sitting in the right-side rear door of the fighting follow vehicle. A lone rider on a motorcycle (wearing a black jacket and ski mask) disregarded repeated warnings to stop. He was given hand signals and the verbal command "Kiff" to stop by all three people in the rear of the vehicle -- myself, the well gunner and the left rear gunner. The motorist did not make any attempts to vary his speed, but shifted dramatically from the left side of the road to the right, continuing to move toward us at a high rate of speed. At that point, I leaned completely out of the door to repeat the earlier gestures telling him to stop. I gave both hand and verbal commands for him to stop. At that time, one pen flare was shot in his direction. Although it was clearly aimed at him, he made no attempt to stop or slow down. When he came within 20 to 30 Meters, I aimed my rifle at him, giving him clear view of it and continued with my threat assessment. I then heard our Well Gunner, [redacted] fire one shot at the aggressors' motorcycle. The shot immediately disabled his motorcycle, yet enabled him to stop without injury or additional property damage. This motorcycle's actions were unusual and appeared to be a Possible Suicide Bomber Threat upon our Motorcade. This conclusion was base upon his actions, appearance, blatant disregard of our warnings, my professional experience and recent intelligence reports indicating the use of motorcycles to attack Coalition Forces. -END-

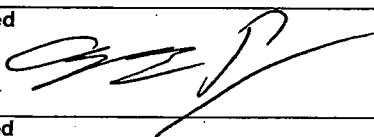
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Date 02 April 2006	Time 1145
Location [redacted] - Approximately 200 meters from the Ministry of Finance, Northern Baghdad.	

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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of

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I was hired by Blackwater Security Consultants and was trained on performing personal security in high threat areas for the U.S Department of State. In [redacted] I arrived to Baghdad Iraq and was assigned to a Counter Assault Team (CAT). The CAT team is responsible for the deterrence of any possible threat to a motorcade, reaction to any possible situation moving to/from a venue, and providing static security while on venue. After one month with the CAT team I transferred to Team [redacted]. Our Mission is to gather information on venues and turning it into a visual depiction of the venue for future missions and being the advance element on venue to establish and ensure the security of the venue prior to the Protective Security Detail's arrival. While on Team [redacted], we have trained with aggressor vehicles to practice our escalation of force standard operating procedures. We also train on emergency tactics, to best prepare for any situation that might arise while conducting a mission. I have been in numerous situations where I was able to mitigate the threat without firing a shot. b2

On Sunday, April 2nd, at 1115hrs, [redacted] staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission in direct support of [redacted] mission to the Ministry of Finance [redacted]. The brief was conducted in accordance with [redacted] standard operating procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted, venue and route specific, threats of direct and indirect fire. Including possible multiple VBIED's (vehicle borne improvised explosive device). Past intelligence reports have stated a direct VBIED threat on the Ministry of Finance and threats of motorcycles carrying explosives. b2

I was the Well Gunner in the fighting follow suburban in a [redacted] suburban motorcade. This vehicle is equipped with a sliding window, which allows the Well Gunner to interact with traffic to the rear. This Suburban is black in color. On each rear door, in big white letters, it says "WARNING - Stay back 100 meters". This is written in both English and Arabic. There were [redacted] other personnel in this vehicle. I was armed with a U. S. Department of State issued rifle the [redacted]. During my military service I received extensive training in the use of this weapon, to include firing at known and unknown distances and at multiple targets both stationary and moving. I have also trained with this weapon in close combat and urban combat environments. I last qualified as expert with this weapon in December 2005 and performed additional live-fire training with this weapon in March 2006. b2

Our mission today was to advance for [redacted] (Team) [redacted] at the Ministry of Finance. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of the U.S. military controlled International Zone and travel for several kilometers through a part of Baghdad where para-military forces are hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq and are routinely conduct insurgent operations. Attacks on American military and contractors are prevalent in this area. b2

Our vehicle was the follow vehicle. I utilize a spotlight and pen flares to ensure cars and other threats keep a safe distance away from our motorcade. I also use voice commands such as "kiff", meaning patience/stop in the Iraqi language and physical gestures to keep these same threats at a safe distance away from our motorcade. Most Iraqi drivers heed all of these signs and keep a safe distance away from the motorcade. The motorcade was traveling to MO Finance [redacted] to conduct our advance on a four-lane road with a median in the middle. b2

About 150-200 meters before the entrance to the venue, I observed a black motorcycle pull out approximately eighty meters behind us. The rider was wearing a very bulky black Jacket and a Black ski mask. The motorcycle accelerated and began gaining rapidly on us. I shined my spotlight on his face and flashed it on and Off to try and gain his attention while giving the hand signal to stop. When he didn't slow down I heard both door gunners open their doors and shout the verbal command to stop, "kiff." The motorcycle continued to speed closer so I shot one pen flare in his direction. Ignoring our attempts to stop him, he still continued his high rate of speed at us. Once he had gotten within 20-30 meters of the vehicle and I felt that the lives of my teammates were in great danger, I fired one well placed round from my State Department issued [redacted] into the front tire of the motorcycle in an effort to disable it and halt its advance towards the motorcade. It immediately swerved to the right and came to a controlled stop without any apparent injury. I informed my shift leader that I had fired one shot. Immediately I heard My SL send a situation report to the Tactical Operations Center to inform them of the incident. From the time the motorcycle began to approach our motorcade to when I engaged the threat was less than 15 seconds. The time that I fired the shot was 1145 in the morning. The motorcade continued on to the Ministry of Finance. No injuries or additional property damage were observed. -END- b2

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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DSS/RSO/BW APO, AE 09348	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ day of

April, 2006

Signed	<i>[Signature]</i>
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident: 10 April 2006		Time of Incident: 0630	
Type of Incident: (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)		Escalation of Force	
Location of Incident: (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)		At Grid: [redacted] Traveling East bound on route [redacted] Approximately 100 meters east of the intersection of Route [redacted] and Route [redacted] is a four lane divided road with room for 2+ lanes of traffic moving in both directions. The median is an unimproved area, 10' wide bordered by a curb that is at least 10" in height. The sides of the roadway are open flat areas where cars park or enter and exit the road.	
Description of Incident: (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, COMs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)		Mosul PRT PSD team moving from FOB Courage in the northern part of the city of Mosul Iraq to the City of Erbil. The motorcade was moving one principle and consisted of [redacted] [redacted] A Local National (LN) vehicle acting in a threatening manner was engaged by the up gunner located in the turret of the follow HMMWV. No injuries to the PSD team or Local National population were observed. Load plan is as follows: [redacted]	
Action Taken: (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)		While moving in the manner described above, the well gunner in the follow FAV, which is a Fighting Follow equipped with a firing port in the rear of the vehicle, noticed an orange and white taxi approaching the follow HMMWV from the right rear of the motorcade off of an access road that merged with the route that the team was traveling on. The well gunner in the Follow FAV [redacted] used his 2 million candle power handheld light to shine on the approaching vehicle, this action has been sufficient in the past to warn off approaching vehicles before lethal force has been employed. He shined the light on the vehicle three times from a distance of about 40 meters. It is important to note that due to the time of day, just before sunrise, it is virtually impossible that the LN [redacted] could have missed seeing the light. At about this time the up gunner [redacted] in the turret of the follow HMMWV noticed the vehicle speed past a parked semi truck and come into his view. Due to the location of the parked truck he was unable to see the vehicle approaching at the same time the follow FAV gunner noted it and started shining his light on it. The well gunner of the Fighting Follow never had a clear shot at the vehicle without the follow HMMWV being in his direct line of fire behind the aggressive car. From the time that the vehicle was first noted until the rear HMMWV gunner engaged with two rounds from his [redacted] was about 5-8 seconds. Due to the close proximity of the vehicle and the	

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	<p>speed that it closed on the motorcade there was no time for the follow HMMWV up gunner to employ any less than lethal force to the car. The action taken by the follow well gunner should have been sufficient to warn the LN driver. The follow HMMWV up gunner noticed the taxi clearing the parked truck, realized that it was being driven by a single LN driver of military age, and believed it to be a Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device. He engaged the rear of the vehicle with two rounds from his [redacted] striking it in the trunk area at which time it swerved back to the right hand curb and came to a controlled stop.</p>
<p><b>Follow-Up Required</b>          Indicate what follow-up action is required, if any (e.g., investigation, notifications, etc.)</p>	<p>Mission use of force policy has been reviewed. [redacted] has met with the RSO for debrief.</p>

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<p><b>Operator(s) Involved</b></p>	<p>[redacted]</p>	<p><b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b></p>	<p>Follow FAV Follow HMMWV, -</p>	<p><b>Team(s) Involved</b></p>	<p>Team Mosul</p>
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## Sworn Statement

Date 10 April 2006	Time 0840
Location  Mosul, Iraq	

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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of Stephen Sexton, RSO, Mosul, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub> am a Protective Security Specialist (PSS) serving in Mosul, Iraq. I have been employed with Blackwater as a WPPS Protective Security Specialist on contract in Iraq since September 2004.

On 10 April 2006, at approximately 0615 in the morning, I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub> Protective Security Specialist (PSS) for Blackwater Security Company, Mosul, Iraq, along with my team, departed Forward Operating Base (FOB) Courage en route to Irbil, Iraq, for a diplomatic meeting. I was the driver of the rear Tactical Support Vehicle (TST), which is an Armored Humvee. This TST has a Turret gunner and a rear well/ armored tub gunner. I was driving the rear vehicle of a [redacted] diplomatic motorcade consisting of [redacted] <sup>b2</sup>

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[redacted] My TST had [redacted] team members, myself [redacted] driving, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub>

At approximately 0630, at grid location [redacted] <sup>b2</sup> our motorcade was traveling East on Route [redacted] Mosul, Iraq. It was clear skies and visibility was good. The neighborhood appeared to be an industrial

area, mostly 2 story buildings lining the road and Commercial transport trucks parked along the right side. The roadway was two asphalted lanes east and 2 asphalted lanes west, divided by a concrete median with trees in the median at different intervals. I was driving in the center of the 2 east bound lanes, taking up as much of the roadway as possible giving our vehicle an equal buffer from either side of the road, giving our up gunner the largest field of view for security over watch of the motorcade, and at the same time giving far recognition to any vehicles that might approach from the rear. The rear TST vehicle was approximately 40 - 50 meters behind Vehicle [ ] the Armored Fighting Follow Suburban. There were Commercial transport trucks parked along the right side reducing visibility of private drives, alley ways, and small intersections. I saw a break in the trucks and believed it to be a small intersection with a right hand merge lane coming from it. The [ ] Armored Fighting Follow Suburban had cleared the intersection, the following actions occurred within a span of 5 to 10 seconds: I observed the rear well gunner of the [ ] Fighting Follow use the 2 million candlepower spotlight, I saw it come on and off 3 times. We use this spotlight to signal / warn drivers to stay away and I have personally used it in the same capacity and seen it used effectively many times. I heard my TST Vehicle Commander [ ] shouting "Watch that Taxi" several times. I saw the small orange and white colored four door taxi approaching from our right, I saw it enter the roadway about equal distance between our [ ] TST and [ ] Armored Fighting Follow. It appeared to have 1 male driver, I never saw the driver look towards our vehicle, it seemed as though he was focused on the [ ] Armored Fighting Follow. At this time I was concentrating on "our out" route of escape, I began steering the TST to the far left giving as much room as possible and reducing speed to increase the buffer / standoff of the suspected Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device. I heard 2 shots, due to my concentration of driving and my job responsibilities, I did not see the rounds impact. I did observe the vehicle moving to the far right of the roadway as we, the rear TST passed on the far left. I heard rear TST Tactical Commander [ ] say [ ] that we had shots fired, over the internal radio and Team Leader [ ] acknowledged. Our motorcade maintained its integrity and continued south on the local road continuing the mission.

Our diplomatic motorcade continued without incident and we returned to FOB Courage after completion of our mission.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Mosul, [redacted] Team, PSS	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Date 10 April, 2006	Time 0630
Location Mosul, Iraq	

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I, [redacted] am a Protective Security Specialist (PSS) serving in Mosul, Iraq, under the auspices of the WPPS Program, for the Department of State. I am privileged to be one of only a few hundred Independent Contractors to have been selected, vetted, and deployed to Iraq by the State Department, in conjunction with Blackwater Security Company.

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Upon completion of WPPS I, I was assigned to Mosul where I have served for the last 8 months. During these 8 months I have served as a PSS, Driver, and for the last 4 months as an Up Gunner in a [redacted]

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On April 9, 2006, at approximately 0630 in the morning, I, \_\_\_\_\_  
Protective Security Specialist (PSS) for Blackwater Security  
Company, Mosul, Iraq, along with my team, departed Forward Operating  
Base (FOB) Courage en route to Irbil, Iraq, for a diplomatic meeting. I  
was located in the turret of my vehicle which was located in a  
diplomatic motorcade consisting of \_\_\_\_\_

At approximately 0630, at grid location \_\_\_\_\_ Mosul, Iraq,  
While passing through an intersection on MSR \_\_\_\_\_ I observed a white  
and orange sedan (taxi) traveling at a high rate of speed to the right  
of my vehicle. I did not observe the vehicle until it was approximately  
50 meters away, due to traffic and a large semi type truck. The vehicle  
was not slowing and appeared to be coming directly towards my TST.  
Having been briefed the previous day by our intelligence officer, \_\_\_\_\_  
on a serious Al Qaeda produced Vehicle Born Improvised Explosive  
Device (VBIED) threat against Coalition Forces in Mosul; I saw the  
sedan's actions as a threat to the lives of all the vehicles and their  
occupants in our motorcade. Fearing for my life and the lives of our  
team and passengers I used force to stop the vehicle from continuing its  
aggressive action. Due to the close proximity of the vehicle when it  
entered my view and its speed, I was unable to utilize any less than  
lethal measures to warn it off. I placed two well aimed rounds into the  
rear of the vehicle, which reacted by veering off to the right and  
stopping on the curb bordering the street. As we passed by the vehicle,  
I observed a lone male occupant, of military age staring straight ahead  
and sitting upright in the vehicle with both hands on the steering  
wheel.

Our diplomatic motorcade continued without incident and we returned to  
FOB Courage after completion of our mission.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Mosul, Team, PSS

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Sworn Statement

Date 10 April 2006	Time 0630
Location Mosul, Iraq	

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On April 10, 2006, at approximately 0620 in the morning, I, \_\_\_\_\_ Protective Security Specialist (PSS) for Blackwater Security Company, Mosul, Iraq, along with my team, departed Forward Operating Base (FOB) Courage to the Citadel in the city of Irbil, Iraq for a diplomatic meeting. I was located in the TC seat (right front) of my vehicle which was located in the rear of a diplomatic motorcade consisting of \_\_\_\_\_

At approximately 0630, at grid location \_\_\_\_\_, Mosul, Iraq, I observed a white and orange taxi cab with a single male occupant traveling forward and to the right of my vehicle, and parallel to our motorcade. Our motorcade slowed on route \_\_\_\_\_ and was moving East out of town. As we passed through check point \_\_\_\_\_ which is a four way intersection with short "on ramps" leading onto the main routes. I first observed the cab approximately 20 to 30 meters up the on coming (parallel) on ramp to my right that merged into our lane. I shouted out that we need "to watch the cab to our right" as the cab speed up and began to merge into our motorcade. I shouted "watch that cab to our right" twice more as my driver began to take evasive maneuvers my up gunner, \_\_\_\_\_ engaged the vehicle firing two rounds. I observed

both shots impact the trunk of the cab which was at this point 5 to 8 meters from the right front quarter panel of my TST. My vehicle passed the cab on the left as he pulled sharply to the right and stopped. As we passed, I lost sight of him then began reporting the incident to the Shift Leader and to our Tactical Operations Center after getting a situation report from my gunner. Having been briefed the previous day by our intelligence officer, [redacted] on a serious Al Qaeda produced Vehicle Born Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threat against Coalition Forces in Mosul, I saw the cabs actions as a direct and immediate threat to the lives of all the vehicles and their occupants in our motorcade. b6 b7c

Our diplomatic motorcade continued without incident and we returned to FOB Courage after completion of our mission.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address Mosul, [redacted] Team, PSS b6 b7C

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 10th day of April, 2006.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Date 10 April 2006	Time 0850
Location Mosul, Iraq	

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I, [redacted] <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of  
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On Monday, April 10, 0545, [redacted] Team PSD staged and prepared for the days movement to Irbil. The intelligence brief conducted the night prior included the overall enemy situation in Mosul and highlighted venue and route specific threats to include multiple suspected pending VBIED attacks and after action reports of attacks that had happened recently in the area. <sup>b2</sup>

I was the well gunner in the follow (HMMWV) Tactical support truck. This vehicle is the same type of vehicle that the Army and the Marine Corps use on a daily basis in Iraq. There were other personnel in this vehicle. I was positioned in an armored tub in the rear of the vehicle directly behind the turret gunner. Both the turret gunner [redacted] and I were manning [redacted]. <sup>b2 b7C b6</sup>

Our mission today was to transport a Department of state diplomat to the Citadel in Irbil for a scheduled meeting. On our movement to Irbil my field of view was always to the rear of the motorcade. My task is to make sure vehicles do not close the minimum safe distance to the motorcade from the rear. To affect this task I use hand signals and physical gestures consistent with the escalation of force necessary to mitigate any current or perceived threat to the motorcade.

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[redacted] area of responsibility is 180 degrees to the vehicles front. He calls out parked vehicles along side the road merging traffic and any threats. I then take responsibility for maintaining visual contact with these danger areas and vehicles as we pass them. On our way to Irbil, at 0630 the motorcade was traveling through a congested city street when I heard 2 shots. I did not observe the incident referenced above, I only heard the shots.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 10 day of

April, 2006

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Date 10 April 2006	Time 0630
Location Mosul, Iraq	

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I, [redacted] b6 b7c am a Protective Security Specialist for the Department of State under the WPPS program. I have been employed with Blackwater Security since October 2005.

On April 10, 2006 at 0615, our motorcade departed Forward Operating Base Courage. I was in the well in the fighting follow suburban; we were the [redacted] vehicle in the order of movement. Directly behind me was the rear Tactical Support Vehicle (TST). At approximately 0630 at grid [redacted] b2 we were traveling east on route [redacted] b2. Traffic was stopped as we passed through the [redacted] intersection. There were several vehicles parked on the right side of the two lane road. Immediately after the rear vehicle cleared the intersection an orange and white Taxi, driven by a military age male, came from the right at a high rate of speed and aggressively cut in between my vehicle and the rear TST. It appeared to me that we were being attacked by a Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device. I didn't engage because the TST was behind the suspected attacker. I flashed the driver with a 2 million candle power spotlight 3 times. We use the spotlight regularly to warn drivers to stay away. The driver of the rear TST, [redacted] b6 b7c had to steer around the taxi to avoid a collision, as he did that the Turret Gunner, [redacted] engaged the vehicle with two rounds from his [redacted] rifle. The driver of the taxi b2 appeared to be uninjured as he drove to the right side of the road and stopped.

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Our motorcade continued to venue with no further incidents and returned to  
FOB Courage after completing our mission.

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## Sworn Statement

Date 10 April 2006	Time 0630
Location Mosul, Iraq	

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On April 10, 2006, at approximately 0620 in the morning, I, \_\_\_\_\_  
Protective Security Specialist (PSS) for Blackwater  
Security Company, Mosul, Iraq, along with my team, departed Forward  
Operating Base (FOB) Courage to the Citadel in the city of Irbil, Iraq  
for a diplomatic meeting. I was located in the left rear seat of my  
vehicle which was located in the fighting follow vehicle which was  
second from the rear of a diplomatic motorcade consisting of \_\_\_\_\_

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At approximately 0630, at grid location \_\_\_\_\_ Mosul, Iraq, I  
observed a white and orange taxi cab cut into the motorcade from the  
right side of the road. The taxi cab cut in between the last vehicle  
(TST) and the fighting follow. The taxi cab appeared to speed up staying  
with our motorcade for approximately 5 to 10 seconds than pull off to  
the right side of the road. I did not hear any shots fired.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Mosul, [redacted] Team, PSS	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 10th day of  
April, 2006.

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	13 Apr 2006	Time of Incident	1255
Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distracted Driving/Ambush)	USE OF LETHAL FORCE		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail, include route names, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	Intersection between [redacted]		
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, principles involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, FENs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On Thursday April 13, 2006 at 0745 hours [redacted] a Tactical Support Team conducted a daily operation order to support all teams operating in the red zone for the day. [redacted] operation order includes: an intelligence brief; routes, times and venue locations of the teams operating for the day; a brief of our movement; and ends with the rules of engagement.</p> <p>At approximately 1250 hours we departed Venue [redacted], en-route to [redacted] in direct support of [redacted] and [redacted]. At this time [redacted] was stopped due to heavy traffic near [redacted]. During this time [redacted] stopped all traffic approximately 50 meters traveling from behind and around [redacted]. At this time [redacted] rear turret gunner for [redacted] noticed a four door white sedan with a single male occupant swerving from side to side, going around the stopped traffic at an accelerated rate of speed from the rear of [redacted] and continued towards [redacted]. At this time [redacted] the rear turret gunner, responded by using physical and verbal warnings to include a water bottle thrown to the vehicle directing the vehicle to stop. The white sedan swerved past the water bottle and accelerated towards [redacted]. With no signs of slowing down [redacted] fired one shot from his State Department issued [redacted]. The vehicle then stopped before traffic began to move and [redacted] began to roll out to [redacted] SL, [redacted] immediately notified RSO/TOC of the incident and upon entering the IZ, [redacted] SL notified RSO/TOC again and gave more details of the incident. No injuries were observed to the suspect driver or to any bystanders or other vehicles in the area.</p> <p>Upon return to [redacted] Shift Leader reported to the RSO TOC to brief the Department of State Agent on duty. Personal Security Specialist [redacted] reported to the same location for a Spot Report interview with a Department of State Agent.</p> <p>No further information at this time.</p>		
Action taken (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin traps, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)	One round fired from [redacted] into aggressive vehicle.		
Follow-Up Required (Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	Sworn statement made by [redacted] and [redacted]		

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Operator(s) Involved	Shift Leader Rear Turret Gunner Fire Team b6 Fire Team b7c	Vehicle(s) Involved	Mamba	Team(s) Involved	In support of and
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, Who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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I have been under contract with Blackwater for the past 9 months. In addition to my current position on the Tactical Support Team (TST) I have worked on PSD teams in the South of Iraq and as a gunner with Blackwaters Air.

On 13 April 2006 I was working as a member of a Tactical Support Team on Team [redacted]. I was part of a [redacted] vehicle motorcade and was assigned to the rear turret position of the last/follow Mamba vehicle. We had departed from a venue in support of Multiple Personal Security Detail Teams and were in route to the International Zone. Being outside of the relative safety of the US Military controlled portion of the International Zone, we were operating in a part of Baghdad where para-military forces are known to be hostile toward U.S. presence and attacks on U.S. Military and Civilians are common. We were on a slow roll due to traffic conditions, when the operator of a white 4 door sedan similar to those on the BOLO list began to weave through traffic erratically and accelerate past the traffic that I had held at bay, approximately 80 to

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100 meters to our rear in an apparent attempt to close on our convoy. I yelled stop (Phonetically pronounced Keef) in the Iraqi Native tongue, and continually and energetically gave the hand and arm signals indicative of this command. The driver continued to accelerate toward our vehicle, further convincing me that he intended to cause us harm. I threw a water bottle at the front of the approaching vehicle. The driver of the vehicle swerved to avoid the water bottle and then made eye contact with me. The driver of the vehicle then having intentionally worked his way through all of the stopped traffic accelerated towards our convoy. I determined that the driver intended us harm. I was afraid for my life and the lives of my team mates. I fired one round from my [redacted] towards the vehicle. The driver of the vehicle brought his car to an immediate and controlled stop. The driver of the vehicle waved at me in what I understood to be a sign that he would comply and remain stopped. The driver was not injured by my shot. I did not observe any other injured bystanders as I scanned the area. The driver of the vehicle was the sole occupant. b2 b7c

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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WPPS Camp Baghdad	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 17 day of April, 2006.

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As a suppliment to the previous report, I would add the following:

Point 1: I intended to fire my pen flare but due to excessive bouncing around in the Mamba I was unable to readily access the launcher. We frequently jump curbs and hit bumps that have an exaggerated effect with the vehicles ultra-stiff suspension. When I realized that I would not be able to deploy the pen flare in time to be effective, I decided to use a water bottle instead.


Point 2: My point of aim for my disabling shot with my [redacted] b2 was the hood of the car. I observed an impact on the window, low center at the cowl. I believe that the bullet deflected off the hood and impacted there. As previously stated, there were no injuries.

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In [redacted] I was hired by Blackwater as a Protective Security Specialist. After training, I was deployed to Iraq and have been on Team [redacted] Tactical Support Team since October 2005.

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On April 13, 2006 I was working as a member of a Tactical Support Team on Team [redacted]. I was part of a [redacted] vehicle motorcade and was assigned to the Fire Team position of the last/follow Mamba vehicle. We had departed from a [redacted] and were in route to the International Zone. Being outside of the relative safety of the US Military controlled portion of the International Zone, we were operating in a part of Baghdad where para-military forces are known to be hostile toward U.S. presence and attacks on U.S. Military and Civilians are common. b2

[redacted] b6 b7C was assigned to the rear turret gunner position and during our return to the International Zone we had come to a stop in the road. While our motorcade was stopped, I observed through the rear window, a small white sedan approach our formation. I could hear [redacted] yelling verbal commands for the vehicle to stop but the vehicle failed to yield. I then observed [redacted] throw a water bottle towards the vehicle and the vehicle swerved to avoid the bottle and kept driving towards our motorcade in a threatening manner. b6 b7C I then witnessed [redacted] shoot one round at the oncoming vehicle. At this point, the vehicle came to a controlled stop. When the vehicle stopped it was within twenty five meters of the motorcade.

The vehicle was driven by one Iraqi male and I observed no other passengers in the vehicle. Additionally, I observed no injuries to the suspect driver. As I scanned the area, for additional threats, I observed no injuries to any bystanders.

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In [ ] I was hired by Blackwater USA. After attending WPPS training I was deployed to Baghdad, Iraq and have been working there since. I have been on the Tactical Support Team (TST), team [ ] ever since. b2

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On April 13, 2006 I was working with my team (team [ ]) as part of a [ ] vehicle convoy. I was assigned to the follow mamba as part of the fire/breach team. We departed from the venue and were enroute back to the International Zone. We were outside of any U.S. Military or coalition forces controlled area and in an area of Baghdad known for insurgents operating and attacks on U.S./Coalition Forces and Civilians. b2

[ ] was in the rear turret of the follow mamba. Our convoy came to a stop in the road. I heard him yell the verbal command, "Keff" arabic for stop, for the vehicle to stop. I observed that traffic was stopped to the rear of our convoy and one vehicle, a white 4-door vehicle was weaving through traffic in an apparent attempt to close on the convoy. [ ] verbal commands were ignored by the driver of the vehicle. As the vehicle continued to weave through stopped traffic at approximately 25 MPH I saw [ ] throw a water bottle in front of the car. The car swerved to avoid the water bottle in the road and obviously noticed that [ ] was attempting to make him stop. The car never slowed down and was heading directly toward our vehicle. [ ] fired one round from his [ ] towards the car. The car came to an immediate stop at this point and was less then twenty five meters away now. b6 b7C b2 b6 b7C


The vehicle had one male Iraqi driver and I saw no other passengers. I could see that the driver was not injured.

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Date of Incident	16 Apr 2006	Time of Incident	1038 Hrs
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Type of Incident (i.e. Use of Lethal Force, Use of Non or Less Lethal Force, Distraction Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Use of Pen Flares
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	—
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On Sunday, April 16, 2006 at approximately 0900 hours, [ ] (IPD Tactical Support Team) staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's missions, which were to support and assist IPD elements traveling to, and from venues in the Red Zone. The brief included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission statement and rules of engagement.</p> <p>During execution of the team's mission, [ ] was traveling in support of [ ] and [ ] missions to the Ministry of Oil and the Iraqi Passport Directory. While passing through [ ] at approximately 1029 hours three Pen flares were deployed to stop aggressive vehicles that were not following verbal or physical commands. In addition to the aggressive vehicle stopping all traffic entering the intersection stopped. The first Pen flare was deployed by [ ], the second and third were deployed by [ ] while passing through the traffic circle. The aggressive vehicles entering the intersection immediately stopped. [ ] continued on through [ ].</p>
Action taken (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed air flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)	See above.
Follow-Up Required (Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	None

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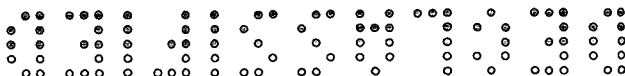
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Shift Leader  
IPD Tactical Support Team  
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Incident	16 Apr 2006	Time of Incident	1250 Hrs
Type of Incident (e.g. Use of Force, Use of Non-Lethal Force, Distractor Devices Deployed, Arrest, etc.)	Use of Pen Flares		
Location of Incident (Describe location in detail, include unit name, room number, etc.)			
Description of Incident (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, the actions taken, the results, and any other US Government or other entities involved, other personnel, etc.)	<p>On Sunday, April 16, 2006 at approximately 0900 hours, Echo (IPD Tactical Support Team) staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's missions, which were to support and assist IPD elements traveling to, and from venues in the Red Zone. The brief included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission statement and rules of engagement.</p> <p>During execution of the team's mission, [ ] was traveling in support of [ ] return from the Iraqi Passport Directory. While passing through [ ] at approximately 1250 hours two Pen Flares were deployed to stop aggressive vehicles that were not following verbal or physical commands. In addition to the aggressive vehicles stopping all traffic entering the traffic circle stopped. The Pen Flares were deployed by [ ]. The aggressive vehicles entering the traffic circle immediately stopped. [ ] continued on through</p>		
Action Taken (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed, deployed, deployed, etc.)	See above.		
Follow-Up Required (Indicate what follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	None		

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Operator(s) Involved	Vehicle(s) Involved	Entire Convoy	Team(s) Involved

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Report #: 06-04	<b>Incident-Casualty Report</b> <b>WPPS - Iraq</b>	Report Date/Time: 19 April 2006 1014	X0238 P b2 b6 c
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**REPORTING INFORMATION**

INCIDENT DATE/TIME:	19 April 2006 10:14PM	INCIDENT LOCATION:	Ref Zone, Baghdad, Iraq
TOTAL # PERSONNEL	2	KIA: 0	WIA: 2
INCIDENT DESCRIPTION:	Team [ ] COM PSD convoy was hit by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and small arms fire while en-route from the International Zone (IZ) to the Ministry of Electricity (MOE).		
REPORTED BY:	Michael Boffo	METHOD:	Email and Phone
POINT OF CONTACT:	Michael Boffo	TEL#:	

**VICTIM INFORMATION: NA**

NAME (LAST, FIRST MI)			
SSN:		DOB:	
NATIONALITY:	USA	M/F:	m
PASSPORT:		ISSUED/EXP:	
NATIONALITY:		BLOOD TYPE:	
INJURIES:	Cuts, Scratches, Small Burn		
STATUS:	Released From CSH 1400 will return to duty after follow up appointment 26 April		
PROGNOSIS:	Quick Recovery		
HOME OF RECORD:		NEXT OF KIN:	Do Not Notify

**PROPERTY/EVIDENCE** (CODES: R: Recovered D: Damaged DX: Destroyed S: Stolen)

CODE	DESCRIPTION	VALUE	CURRENT LOCATION

**NARRATIVE**

Include Who, What, When, Where, Why, Summary of Actions (Continue on subsequent pages as necessary)

On 19 April 2006, at approximately 1014 hours, a COM PSD convoy was hit by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and small arms fire while en-route from the International Zone (IZ) to the Ministry of Electricity (MOE). One military vehicle sustained moderate damage and reached FOB Shield before it became inoperable. Four minor injuries were sustained; 2 U.S. Army and 2 DynCorp PSD Team members. All of the injured were initially treated by U. S. Army medical personnel at FOB Shield and 2 (one Army, one DynCorp) were subsequently transported by Black-Water Air assets to the Combat Support Hospital (CSH) in the International Zone for additional treatment. All of the injured are expected to return to full duty status. There were no principals in the convoy at the time of the attack.

**VICTIM INFORMATION (Cont'd)**

NAME (LAST, FIRST MI)			
SSN:		DOB:	
NATIONALITY:	USA	M/F:	M
PASSPORT:		ISSUED/EXP:	
NATIONALITY:	USA	BLOOD TYPE:	
INJURIES:	Scratches		
STATUS:	Did not have to go to the CSH... Continues to Operate		
PROGNOSIS:	Excellent		
HOME OF RECORD:		NEXT OF KIN:	

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NAME (LAST, FIRST MI)			
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REO - Basrah

23 April 2006



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Spot Report - 020706-02

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**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle.**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Basrah**Summary:** Triple Canopy PSD fires multiple rounds into an aggressive vehicle.

On 23 April 2006 at approximately 0915 hrs, a Triple Canopy COM PSD Team en route from a venue in Basrah to REO Basrah encountered an aggressive vehicle. The motorcade was stopped in traffic when a vehicle driven by a lone occupant broke out of the stopped traffic 100 m behind the CAT vehicle. The CAT vehicle (Bearcat) had the vehicle lights flashing and a sign to remain 100 meters behind the vehicle. The well gunner and turret gunner observed the aggressive vehicle approaching the motorcade and gave hand and verbal signals, to get the driver to back off. The driver ignored the signals and the car continued to advance rapidly on the motorcade. The well gunner fired a flare at the vehicle and hit the windshield but the driver continued to advance. When the vehicle did not respond to the flare the turret gunner fired 2 rounds into the grill to stop the vehicle. The vehicle came to a controlled stop and no injuries were evident. The motorcade continued to REO Basrah without incident. No COM personnel were injured during the incident.

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**RSO Action:** RSO conducting investigation. Statements will be forwarded separately.

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**Location:** Basrah



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# INCIDENT REPORT

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**Date of Report:** 23 April 2006  
**Location:** Basra, Iraq  
**Task Order:** 058A  
**Person Releasing Report:** Jeffrey Huber  
**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 23 April 2006  
**Time of Incident:** Approx 0915 Local  
**Contractor Involved:** [redacted] b6 b7c

**Detail Location of Incident:** [redacted] b2  
**Personnel Involved:**  
**First:** [redacted] b6 b7c  
**Last Name:** [redacted] b6 b7c

## Incident Synopsis:

On 23 April 2006 Triple Canopy mission was to pick up three personnel from the REO from the Basrah Airport and escort them to the Bush Children Hospital located in Basrah, Iraq. Upon the completion of the meeting at the Hospital, the team was travel back to the REO with a [redacted] car motorcade and [redacted] vehicle CAT team. At approximately 0915, due to traffic, the motorcade came to a stop and the CAT team provided security by stopping traffic from the rear. Once they had stopped the traffic, the movement of the Motorcade started to move forward slowly along with the CAT vehicles. The traffic to the rear of the CAT vehicles remained in place. A civilian vehicle approached the CAT team from a side road and after seeing the CAT vehicles and the signals from CAT vehicles stopped approximately 50 meters to the rear. While observing the traffic to the rear, the rear CAT vehicle observed a vehicle with two male occupants move around the stopped traffic and moved towards the CAT team. The vehicle continued, at a good speed past the single vehicle that stopped between the CAT team and other traffic, a pistol flare was fired at this vehicle and bounced off the window shield. The vehicle continued toward the CAT team, once again at a good speed. At approximately 10

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to 25 meters from the rear CAT vehicle, the rear gunner fired two well aimed shoots at this vehicle at the engine. At this time the vehicle came to a stop. The personnel from the CAT team observed movement from the suspected vehicle and don't believe the occupants of the vehicles incurred any injuries.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:**

It is my assessment that the individuals involved in this incident acted accordingly and used sound judgment given the perceived current threat, hostile environment and based on the established SOP's. Their actions effectively and safely neutralized the threat and directly prevented the vehicle from coming into close contact with the CAT vehicles and Motorcade. A thorough after action was conducted and all options were reviewed and discussed with all team members. It was further concluded by the team that they used sound judgment and operated within the guidelines of the deadly force policy and all SOP's.

**Personnel Notified of Incident:**

**PM:** Jeffrey Huber  
**DPM:** Tracy Carroll  
**RSO:** Ivan Wray  
**TC WPPS PM:** Allen Fidler

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:**

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**Additional Reports Generated:**

Individual reports from [redacted] will be submitted

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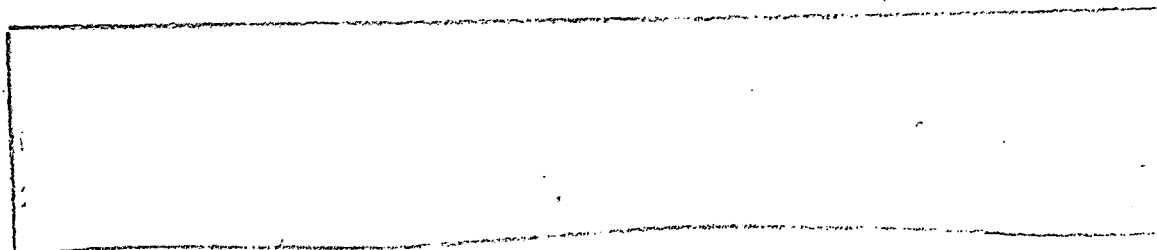
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TO: Ivan Wray. Regional Security Officer, US Embassy Basrah, Iraq

FROM: ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Protective Security Specialist Team ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ b6  
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SUBJECT: Shooting Incident on 23 April 06

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In \_\_\_\_\_, I attending the WPPS training program with Triple Canopy, and received further training regarding, but not limited to, Protective Security, Vehicle Driving Dynamics, advanced weapons training, and the Department of State's Use of Force and Rules of Engagement.

On \_\_\_\_\_, I was assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ Team, Team \_\_\_\_\_ at the US REO in Basrah, Iraq. On this day, I was specifically assigned to the Counter Assault Team \_\_\_\_\_ as the Up Gunner. The CAT vehicle on this mission was the Bearcat, and my primary weapon system in this position was the \_\_\_\_\_ This weapon was issued to me by the Department of State, and I have had extensive training and experience in the use of this weapon. My last qualification with this weapon system was in January 2006.

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Our mission on this day was to transport 3 USAID personnel from the Basrah Air Station to the Bush Children's Hospital, and then to the US REO, located at Basrah Palace. This mission required us to travel for several kilometers through Basrah City where forces hostile to the MNFI operate. The attacks on military and civilians in this area are common.

On the back of our Bearcat armored vehicle there is wording, written in Arabic, warning drivers to stay back 100 meters. There are also flashing strobe lights that are mounted in the back of the Bearcat to warn drivers to stay back. It is important for vehicles to be kept away from the protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to load the vehicle with high explosives and to detonate it in close proximity to the target, causing death and serious bodily injury to those in the motorcade, and to the surrounding civilian population. This tactic has been used successfully by the terrorists, and has caused many deaths in Iraq already.

On 22 April 2006, at about 1700 hours, I received a pre mission brief in the Triple Canopy Planning Room, regarding this mission. As part of this brief, I received an Intelligence Update regarding the current threats and enemy activity in our AO. Part of this Intelligence Update indicated that there is an increased threat of VBIED activity in



Basrah City and the surround areas. This was due to an increased number of VBIED attacks in the previous 3 days. During this briefing, I was also reminded that the Most Deadly Course of Enemy Action was the VBIED, followed by SAF and RPG fire. The current Department of State Rules of Engagement were also covered in this briefing. I am familiar with the Department of State Rules of Engagement, and my last training on the ROE's was in March 2006.

While on the return route, coming from the Bush Children's Hospital back to the US REO, approximately 200 meters Northeast of [redacted] we became slowed in local traffic. At this time, I was directed by my Team Leader to maintain cover to our rear as this area was a potential danger area. As I turned around in the turret, traffic behind me began to back off and slowed to a much slower speed and created distance between themselves and our motorcade. As the traffic on our road slowed to create some distance, another small white sedan that we were passing on our passenger side began to merge into the space immediately to the rear of my vehicle. Fearing that this sedan may be a potential threat, I directed my weapon in the general direction of this car. The driver stopped his vehicle and waved at us with left hand. The small white sedan remained stopped in the roadway as we drove on for about 50-100 meters.

At this point, the suspect vehicle broke out of the pack of cars that remained back from us and drove around the first stopped sedan. Initially, I thought the vehicle was just going around the first stopped car and maintain its distance from us as we moved slowly forward. Once the suspect vehicle got around the stopped car, he accelerated and quickly began to close the gap between our motorcade and himself. As soon as I saw this, I believed that the suspect car was a VBIED, and either going to attack us directly, or try to pass us and detonate next to the Principal's vehicle. At this point, I was in fear for my safety, the safety of my teammates and our Principal, as well as for the safety of the innocent Iraqi civilians that in the immediate vicinity.

Once determining that the suspect vehicle may be a VBIED and posed an imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury to myself and others, I aimed my weapon at the vehicle, taking due care regarding my backstop and my surroundings. Upon doing this, I observed a flare being fired from our vehicle and striking the windshield of the suspect vehicle and bouncing off. The driver of the suspect vehicle continued to accelerate towards our motorcade, even after the flare struck his windshield. At this point in time, I felt that the driver of the suspect vehicle left me no other choice but to attempt to disable the suspect vehicle using my primary weapon system, the [redacted]. I took careful aim down at the hood of the suspect vehicle, took the weapon off of safe, and fired a controlled 2 round burst into the suspect vehicle's engine compartment. Once I struck the suspect vehicle's engine compartment, the suspect vehicle came to a stop, and ceased its hostile actions. I then placed my weapon back on safe. The entire incident from when I identified the suspect vehicle as a threat to our motorcade, until it was disabled, appeared to have occurred within a matter of 2-3 seconds.

As we moved forward in our motorcade, I maintained cover of the suspect vehicle. At this time, I noticed that an Iraqi Police vehicle was off to the right side of the roadway. I

also observed the vehicle that was initially stopped drive up to the now disabled suspect vehicle and gesture to the suspect driver with an upturned cupped hand with his fingertips touching. I have been informed in my previous deployments to Iraq that this was a gesture of exasperation towards the person it was directed at. I also saw a pedestrian walk up to the area in front of the suspect vehicle and pick up some objects off of the roadway and walk off. As we drove off, I noted that neither the driver nor passenger appeared to be injured in any way. I also noticed that there was fluid beginning to pool under the suspect vehicle's engine compartment.

We continued on to the US REO at Basrah Palace without further incident. Upon my arrival, I reported my actions to my Shift Leader.

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April 23, 2006

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TO: Ivan Wray, Regional Security Officer, U.S. Embassy, Basrah, Iraq

FROM: [REDACTED] PSS, U.S. Embassy, Basrah, Iraq

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SUBJECT: Shooting incident during motorcade operation.

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In [REDACTED] I was hired by [REDACTED] and attended the Department of State Worldwide Personal Protective Services Training Course, Winchester, VA. Upon completing the course I was assigned to the Basrah, Iraq, Embassy Office Building (EOB), providing executive protection for Department of State personnel.

On April 23, 2006 I was part of [REDACTED] Team conducting a motorcade operation for USAID within the City of Basrah, Iraq. I was assigned to ride in the rear seat of the rear vehicle as the tail gunner. The vehicle was an armored Ford/Linco Bearcat assault vehicle designed for the type of protective service mission we were on that day. There were [REDACTED] other people in the vehicle with me. This included a man operating a [REDACTED] mounted on the top of the vehicle. This man accessed the [REDACTED] through a hole in the roof of the vehicle. I was armed with an [REDACTED] called an [REDACTED] This weapon was issued to me by the Department of State. During my military and private security service I have had extensive training in the use of this weapon.

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Our mission this day was to transport 3 USAID workers from the Basrah Airport to the Children's Hospital and then to the U.S. Embassy Compound. We received our pre-mission brief on the evening of 22 April, 2006. During the briefing our Intel Analyst advised us of an increased threat of VBIED attacks within our area of operation. It was noted that this is the enemy's most dangerous course of action. In addition, the Shift Leader reminded us of the rules of engagement per DoS guidelines. We were operating in an area where attacks on American/British military and civilians are common.

On the back of our vehicle is a large sign that has painted on it in Arabic the words "Stay back 100 meters." Most local drivers heed this warning and stay back from the motorcade. It is important to keep vehicles away from a protective motorcade because a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives. This tactic has caused hundreds of deaths in Iraq.

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On this day while traveling to the U.S. Embassy our motorcade came upon a traffic jam and came to a stop. This occurred at Grid [REDACTED] traveling in a northerly direction between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The traffic behind us came to a stop approximately 100 meters to our rear. I then observed a vehicle break out of the stopped traffic and proceed towards the motorcade. I began waving my orange flair pistol out the shooting port indication the vehicle stop. The vehicle did stop at that time. I then observed a second vehicle make erratic turns and break out of the stopped traffic and proceed towards the motorcade at a high rate of speed. This vehicle drove around the stopped vehicle and continued driving towards the motorcade. Because he had just driven past the vehicle we had just stopped and failed to heed my hand and arm signals I immediately perceived this vehicle as a threat. I knew that if the vehicle was carrying an explosive device and I allowed it to get close to my vehicle the resulting explosion would kill the people in my vehicle and possibly others. I yelled to the others in the vehicle that we had a fast moving vehicle approaching from the rear. I then took aim with the flair gun and fired at the approaching vehicle in hopes of getting his attention and forcing him to stop. The flair hit his windshield and bounced off. It appeared to me that the vehicle then began to speed up still approaching our motorcade. At this point the vehicle was within 25 meters of my vehicle when I heard the roof gunner fire two rounds. I observed these rounds enter the hood of the suspect vehicle and the vehicle came to a stop.

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TO: Ivan Wray, RSO, U.S. Embassy, Basrah, Iraq

FROM: [REDACTED] PSS, U.S. Embassy, Basrah, Iraq

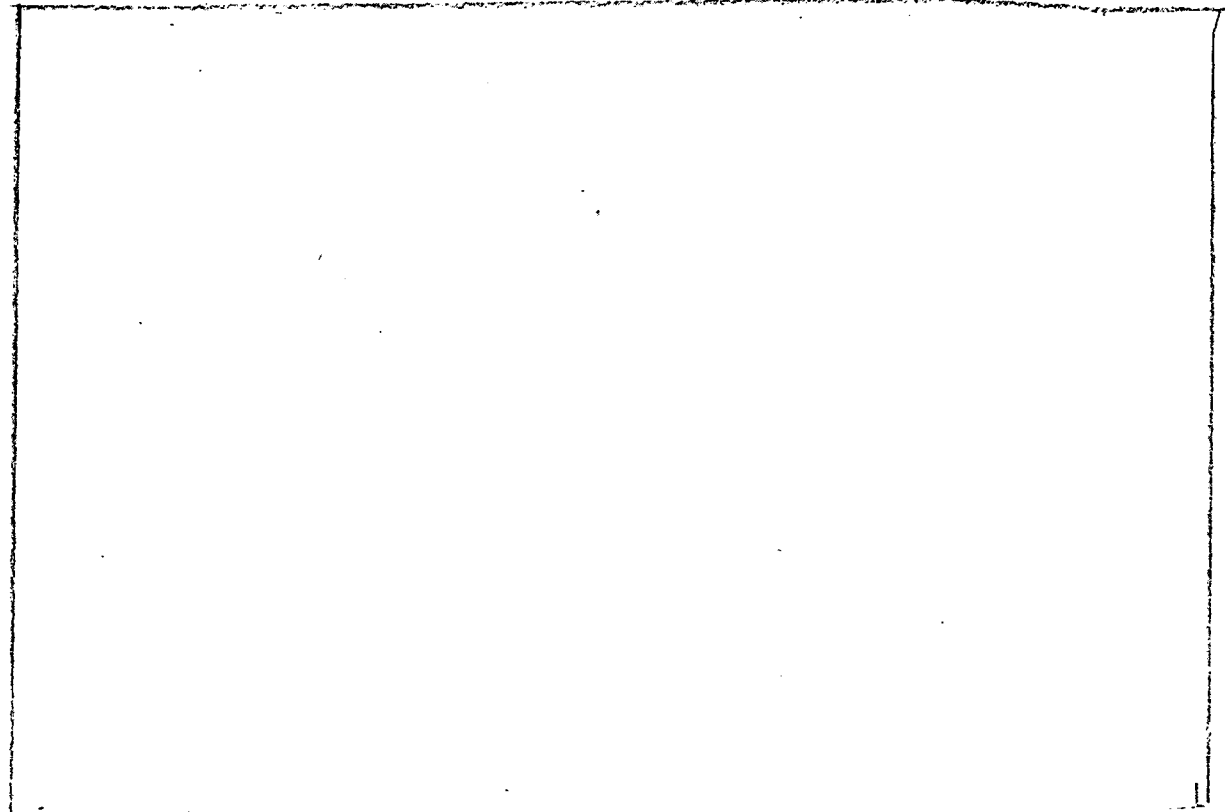
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I was hired by [REDACTED] International, to conduct Executive Protection/ Convoy Security for Army Corp of Engineers personnel. I completed their training course at the Crusible Training Compound, VA. Upon completing the training course I was deployed to in Mosul/Kurkuk, Iraq, as a Detail Leader for a security detail.

In [REDACTED], I was hired by [REDACTED] and attended their training academy in West Memphis, AR. Upon completing the training I originally worked in Mosul Iraq, providing executive protection for Department of State personnel. In [REDACTED] I attended the Department of State Worldwide Personal Protective Services Training Course, Winchester, VA. Upon completing the course I was assigned to the Basrah, Iraq, Embassy Office Building (EOB), providing executive protection for Department of State personnel. In [REDACTED] my [REDACTED] Bio was approved by Department of State and I was promoted to [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Team.

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I have been working for Triple Canopy in Iraq as a member of a protective detail for two years, and during this time I have served on dozens of protective detail assignments, with a spotless record.

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Body of Report:

On 20 Apr 2003, myself and the shift leader for [redacted] Team were given a mission to move USAID personnel from Basrah air Station to Bush Children's Hospital, Basrah Iraq, for a walking tour of the construction site. I was given the mission of providing a Counter Assault Team (CAT) for the primary convoy, as well as the Advance on the site. As part of the mission we were given the use of the new Bear Cat vehicles assigned to Department of State. During the planning and preparation time my team trained with the vehicles and got familiar with the limitations and attributes. We also had our interpreter write in Arabic a Warning to stay back on the rear of the vehicle. The warning was written large enough to be seen at a distance.

As is the routine procedure when preparing for a mission we had daily intelligence updates from the Triple Canopy Intelligence Section, which included a new TTP being used in the area. Prior to this most attacks were in the form of Improvised Explosive Devices; however, in recent attacks the vehicle born explosive devices (VBIED) had been used, including a suicide VBIED (SVBIED). Due to this new threat the practice of allowing Iraqi vehicles to move freely within the convoy was no longer considered safe. Although it is a common terrorist tactic in Iraq is to fill a vehicle with explosives, drive it next to an American vehicle and detonate the explosives, this tactic had not been commonly used in the Basrah area until recently.

On 22 Apr 2006, a briefing was held in which the motorcade mission was briefed in detail, including alternate routes, action upon arriving at the children's hospital, Department of State Rules of Engagement and the current threat. During the treat briefing the SVBIEDs in recent days were discussed.

The mission took place on 23 Apr 2006 and consisted of a move from the Basrah EOB, to the Basrah Air Station where the principles were picked up, then a move to the Children's Hospital Construction Site, and finally a convoy movement to Basrah EOB where the principles were to be dropped off. During the movements the convoy consisted of [redacted] b2

[redacted] The main convoy element made up of [redacted] Sport Utility Vehicles and the CAT element made up of [redacted] Bear Cat armored vehicles with turret mounted [redacted] b2 b7c

I was the [redacted] for the CAT element and was riding in the rear CAT vehicle, behind the convoy. The vehicle was manned by [redacted] b2 b7c

[redacted] The [redacted] was a State Department issued weapon that had last been zeroed on 20 Apr 2006. All other weapons used by the members of my detail were Triple Canopy weapons issued in conjunction with the State Department contract. b2

Upon leaving the Children's Hospital my vehicle was in its normal position about [redacted] meters behind the motorcade. Several times during the move the motorcade was stopped in traffic and the Shift Leader for the motorcade would call over the radio for my vehicle (rear CAT) to stop traffic and thereby create a protective bubble around the motorcade. Each time we did this I would turn on the rear strobe lights on the vehicle as a warning signal.

Upon approaching the intersection known as [redacted] the convoy experienced heavy traffic. When my vehicle was about 200 meters northeast of the intersection the convoy stopped and again the Motorcade Shift Leader called for us to stop traffic. I directed the up gunner [redacted] to turn around and face to the rear and I turned on the rear strobe lights. I also directed my driver to block the road, at which time he positioned the vehicle in the approximate center of the road. It should be noted that although this paved road was basically two lanes in either direction there were no marked lanes and it is not uncommon to have several vehicles traveling side-by-side on some sections of it.

As our vehicle came to a stop I heard the tail gunner [redacted] shout out something to the effect of "watch that vehicle". As I looked in the rearview mirror I saw a flare bounce off a white taxi. It is difficult to judge distance when looking in a rear view mirror, but I would estimate the distance to be somewhere around 100 feet or less. I also noted that this vehicle has come well past the other traffic which had stopped quite a ways further back.

The taxi in question continued to accelerate toward the rear of our vehicle, when the Up Gunner [redacted] fired two rounds from the [redacted] which stopped the vehicle about 30 feet behind us. Right after the shots were fired [redacted] shouted down to me that a vehicle was attempting to "run up on us".

Looking through my rearview mirror I could see fluids running out of the vehicle. Both of the men inside the car appeared to be Arab and were moving around and apparently unharmed. About 30 seconds later we started moving again and I observed a second vehicle pull up next to the disabled vehicle. The driver of the second vehicle appeared to be yelling at the occupants of the vehicle we disabled and giving them the "wait a minute sign" so common in Iraq.

Following returning to the EOB I questioned all occupants of the vehicle. The right and left seat personnel stated they were unable to see the vehicle as they were watching their sectors. The tail gunner, [redacted], stated he observed a vehicle (white taxi) attempting to pass traffic which was stopped about 150 meters behind our vehicle. The vehicle in question then accelerated past the stopped vehicles. [redacted] stated he fired a flare at the vehicle; however, it continued to accelerate toward our vehicle, at which time the Up Gunner engaged the vehicle, disabling it with two rounds. Upon questioning the Up Gunner, [redacted], it was determined that upon stopping in traffic he [redacted] turned the turret of the vehicle backwards and gave physical signals for traffic to stop, which it did. He then observed a white taxi accelerate pass the

stopped traffic. As the vehicle accelerated past the stopped traffic he observed the flare bounce off the vehicle; however, the vehicle continued to accelerate and gave no signs of stopping. ~~He then fired two rounds from his~~ which disabled the vehicle.

The incident was called in to the Motorcade Shift Leader right after it happened and reported to the Detail Lead upon our return to our compound.

Based on my observations and the statements made to me by my team members I believe that in accordance with the Department of State Firearms Mission Policy, section IIIa there was "no safe alternative to the use of force" as to not have acted to disable the vehicle would have allowed a potential threat to enter into close proximity to the motorcade and thereby endangering the lives of myself and the others in the vehicle. This belief is based partly on the new threat in the area of the use of SVBIEDs and on the fact that the vehicle was given several warning to stop and did not. These warning included the written warning on the back of the vehicle, the strobe lights, and the flare fired at the vehicle.

Additionally, Section XX of the Department of State Firearms Mission Policy authorizes the use of firearms to disable a vehicle. The policy states "Shooting to disable a vehicle is authorized. In order to ensure safe separation from the motorcade and suspected or likely VBIED, shots may be fired into the vehicle's engine block as needed to prohibit suspected or likely VBIED attacks."

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May 02, 2006



SPOT REPORT - 050206-02

**SUBJECT:** PSD Team Attacked By IED

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 2 May 2006, at approximately 0908 hours, a Chief of Mission (COM) PSD Advance Team was attacked with an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) while enroute to the Ministry of Finance. The attack resulted in four DOS contractors Wounded in Action (WIA). They were transported to the Combat Support Hospital (CSH) inside the International Zone (IZ) by organic air assets. 1 WIA suffered an amputated arm, 1 WIA suffered facial injuries and 2 WIA suffered leg wounds but were ambulatory. The Team consisted of [ ] vehicles [ ] MOMBA, [ ] Bearcat). The trail vehicle (MOMBA) in the convoy was destroyed and stripped of all sensitive items and equipment prior to being abandoned. A Military Quick Reaction Force was dispatched to lead efforts in recovering the vehicle. Initial reports indicate that the IED was an Explosively Formed Projectile (EFP). There is one unconfirmed report of 1 LN KIA. In addition, the Turkish Embassy, located adjacent to the scene of the attack, reportedly received SAF from the PSD team during the attack. No other injuries or property damage were reported.

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**RSO ACTION:** Withdrew all PSD Teams back to the International Zone and cancelled scheduled missions for the day.

**LOCATION:** Baghdad, Iraq

**DRAFTED BY:** Mike Duke, Watch Officer, RSO TOC, Baghdad, Iraq

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

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<b>Date of Incident</b> 02May2006	<b>Time of Incident</b> 0916 Hrs
<b>Type of Incident</b> (i.e. Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	Attack / Use of Deadly Force.
<b>Location of Incident</b> (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	
<b>Description of Incident</b> (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On Tuesday, May 02, 2006 at approximately 0800 hours (IPD Tactical Support Team) staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's missions, which were to support and assist IPD elements traveling to, and from venues in the Red Zone. The brief included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission statement and rules of engagement. On this day there was a specific threat against Coalition Forces in Baghdad.</p> <p>During execution of the team's mission, [redacted] was traveling in support of [redacted]; advance mission to the Ministry of Finance. [redacted] departed the International Zone through Check Point [redacted] at approximately 0855 hours. [redacted] traveled north/west toward [redacted] upon reaching [redacted] made a left turn traveling south/west toward [redacted] upon reaching [redacted] made a right turn onto route [redacted] traveling north/west toward [redacted] upon reaching [redacted] made a right turn traveling north/east toward Bridge [redacted] when [redacted] reached the intersection before Bridge [redacted] traffic was at a stand still due to Iraqi Forces, [redacted] attempted to make their way through the intersection but traffic immediately stopped and all ways were blocked except the road that was just traveled. [redacted] held their position for roughly five minutes then decided to turn around and use Bridge [redacted] executed their U turn and traveled to [redacted] where they made a right turn traveling south/east toward Bridge [redacted] while traveling toward Bridge [redacted] a team member observed Bridge [redacted] and noted how little traffic was on the bridge, upon crossing Bridge [redacted] turned left at [redacted] traveling north, upon reaching [redacted] turned right traveling toward the Ministry of Finance. At 0916 hours [redacted] was approximately 100 meters past [redacted] when the follow vehicle (a Mamba) was struck by an Explosively Formed Projectile (EFP).</p> <p>The EFP struck the driver's side of the vehicle entering through the window and the armor below the window adjacent the Driver (the Mamba is a right hand drive vehicle). The driver [redacted] was struck in the lower portion of his right arm, which almost completely severed his hand. [redacted] the Tactical Commander of the vehicle, sitting in the left front seat was struck in the face by pieces of the projectile, causing large lacerations. [redacted] the front turret gunner was struck in the hands, abdomen, and legs with shrapnel. The rear turret gunner [redacted] was struck in his back ballistic plate as well as his neck with shrapnel from the blast. Upon hearing and seeing the blast</p>

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the lead vehicle turned around while the command vehicle and the Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) backed up to the follow vehicle which came to a stop in a ditch on the left side of the road. The fire team and medic deployed to give aid to the injured while the turret gunners secured the area. Upon reaching the vehicles and assessing the severity of the wounded the call was made for air support to evacuate two (2) of the injured on the scene. Multiple smoke canisters were deployed to mark the area and to stop traffic. [ ] and [ ] were moved to the ERV where [ ] medic, [ ] and [ ] the embedded Blackwater Intelligence Analyst who was conducting a ride along with the team, began treating there wounds. During this time all sensitive items were being removed from the damaged vehicle by [ ] and the decision was made to leave the vehicle by [ ] due to the fact that it was completely disabled. It was during this time that [ ] assigned to [ ] on the roof of the Ministry of Finance, observed what appeared to be a Local National with a video camera approximately 200 meters from the site filming the incident. While the vehicle was being sanitized an Iraqi ambulance, (which matched a vehicle on the BOLO list) intentionally moved around the local traffic, which was stopped approximately 100 - 150 meters from us. The Ambulance then drove through the heavy, colored smoke from our smoke canisters and proceeded directly for us. Members of the fire team were in plain view covering the roadway. The Ambulance continued through all of the obstacles and accelerated towards the team members. Several rounds were fired into the grill of the vehicle in an attempt to stop it by [ ] and [ ] who believed that the vehicle was a threat to their safety and the safety of the team. The rounds failed to disable the vehicle and the driver chose to continue driving toward the team members. Fearing for their lives, [ ] and [ ] fired into the windshield of the Ambulance. The Ambulance came to an immediate stop and [ ] observed two male occupants exit the Ambulance through the passenger side door. Moments later, Blackwater Air arrived on scene to evacuate the injured. [ ] was the first to be evacuated to the Combat Support Hospital (CSH) within the International Zone. [ ] was evacuated on the second Helicopter. Once both of the critically injured team members had been evacuated a final sweep of the disabled Mamba was done. All personnel returned to the remaining vehicles and [ ] departed the site en-route to the Ministry of Finance. Upon arrival at the Ministry of Finance [ ] coordinated the evacuation of [ ] and [ ] by Blackwater Air. [ ] and [ ] evaluated the situation and the call was made to depart the venue at the same time with Blackwater air support. [ ] departed the Ministry of Finance with [ ] at 0950 hours. [ ] and [ ] traveled south/east down route [ ] to [ ] upon reaching the motorcade turned right toward Bridge [ ] after crossing Bridge [ ] and [ ] entered Check Point [ ] and returned to [ ] staging area for an after action review

#### Action Taken

(Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e.

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deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.

**Follow-Up Required**

(Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Interviews conducted by Department of State, DSS agents. No written statement required.

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IPD Tactical Support Team  
DSS Iraq Mission

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Per your request, please review the below causality report. The following is an update report of injuries sustained by members of Team [redacted] in the course of an attack on 02 May 2006. [redacted]

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[redacted] - SSN: [redacted] DOB: [redacted]  
[redacted] Injuries - severe trauma to his right lower arm. 99% chance he will lose his hand and lower arm up to the middle of his forearm. He is currently in surgery and is expected to be transported through Germany and on to Walter Reed Medical Hospital.

As of 03 May 2006, [redacted] has been transported to Germany, his right arm was amputated during the attack and re-attachment was not possible. [redacted] is expected to remain in Germany until [redacted] arrives and they will depart for the U.S. together. It is not yet clear where the point of entry to the U.S. will be.

[redacted] - SSN: [redacted] DOB: [redacted]  
[redacted] Injuries - Severe facial trauma. The EFP entered the vehicle through the passenger side window of the follow Mamba. [redacted] was in the TC position and received the bulk of the blast. Initial reports from the medical staff at the CSH are that [redacted] condition is stable, no broken bones, no c-spine injuries and his brain appears to be alright, but the condition of his Right eye is critical. He is being transported through Germany on onto Water Reed.

As of 03 May 2006, [redacted] is recovering from surgery in the CSH and awaiting transport to Germany (Landstuhl) via MilAir. [redacted] still has shrapnel in his eye and the trauma to his eye remains a concern. It is not clear whether [redacted] will retain the use of his eye.

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[redacted] - SSN: [redacted] DOB: [redacted]  
[redacted] Injuries - [redacted] sustained multiple shrapnel wounds throughout his entire body. Most of them are considered minor. The more significant wounds are to his abdomen and to his right upper thigh. He is in good condition and he will recover completely.

As of 03 May 2006, Recovering from shrapnel wounds in the CSH and is expected to recover fully, he remains as in the cash as a precaution in order to prevent/track possible infection of his wounds. [redacted] will remain in country and resume duties.

[redacted] - SSN: [redacted] DOB: [redacted]  
[redacted] Injuries - Minor laceration to his neck and minor trauma to his left shin. He will return to work in a day or two. [redacted] is lucky to be alive because a hunk of shrapnel the size of a 50 cent piece was lodged in the center of his back armor plate.

As of 03 May 2006, [redacted] has been released from the Cash and pending evaluation from grief counselor is expected to return to full duty.

Thank you and have a good day. If you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

With much respect -

~~Victor~~

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**Respectia, Roel C (Baghdad)**

**From:** Garza, George L (Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 02, 2006 8:18 PM  
**To:** Respectia, Roel C (Baghdad)  
**Subject:** Pilots/Gunners

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Roel,

I found out the names of the Helicopter pilots/gunners that were involved in the Tm incident, they are as follows:

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All vehicles that were involved in the incident are deadlined for tomorrow. They will be available for inspection tomorrow at your leisure.

George

George L. Garza  
Regional Security Office, C2  
United States Embassy Baghdad, Iraq

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Message Text:

1. (C) SUMMARY: On May 3, 2006 RSO Baghdad conducted interviews with twenty-eight of the thirty-two persons who were victims of, responded to, or witnessed the attack on Chief of Mission Tactical Security Team, [redacted] on May 2, 2006 in Baghdad, Iraq. These interviews, as well as an examination of photographic and physical evidence have enabled investigators to ascertain the events surrounding the attack. The investigative conclusions are as follows: [redacted] was attacked with a remote-detonated Explosively Formed Projectile that had been pre-positioned on the side of the road across from and facing the Turkish Embassy. Regional Security Office-controlled helicopters that responded to the scene to evacuate the wounded did not fire on the Turkish Embassy and, in fact, did not fire at all that day. Members of [redacted] did fire on an ambulance they determined to be a threat at the time of the attack. The actions of all Chief of Mission personnel involved in the event are within Department of State Use-of-Force policy and reasonable considering the available intelligence and facts on the ground.  
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2. (C) [redacted] was a Tactical Support Team consisting of [redacted] Mamba and [redacted] Bearcat armored cars as well as [redacted] personnel. At the time of the attack they were traveling east on a road known by the Army as Alternate Supply Route [redacted] ASR [redacted] is a four lane, divided, road that runs from the south-west to the north-east in north-central Baghdad. [redacted] was traveling towards the Ministry of Finance and about 150 yards past an intersection identified as [redacted] As the [redacted] vehicle in the convoy, a Mamba, was parallel to the Turkish Embassy, an Explosively Formed Projectile, placed in a light-pole on the southern edge of the road, detonated. The right-hand-drive Mamba, with [redacted] passengers, was struck on the right-side,

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driver's, window by three copper projectiles. The projectiles penetrated the armored glass, almost severed the driver's hand and injured the right eye and face of the front passenger before exiting the armored glass on the far side of the vehicle. Two other passengers in the vehicle suffered moderate wounds during the attack. The vehicle was also struck by dozens of smaller projectiles. It is highly probable due to its proximity to the attack that some of these projectiles also struck the Turkish Embassy on the other side of the road.

3. (U) At 0908 hours the Regional Security Office Tactical Operations Center, located in the Embassy Annex, received a radio communication from [ ] that they were in contact and had wounded that needed immediate medical attention. Contract helicopters assigned to the RSO, located at Landing Zone Washington, inside the International Zone, were ordered to respond. The two four-man M-530 (Little Bird) helicopters were in the air at [ ] hours. The helicopters arrived over the attack site at approximately [ ] hours.

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4. (C) In the [ ] minutes between the detonation of the EFP and the arrival of the helicopters the [ ] undamaged vehicles set up a defensive perimeter around the damaged Mamba and removed the injured men from the vehicle. The wounded were treated and several smoke canisters were activated to mark their location for the helicopters. There are reports that someone on the radio said the team was taking small-arms fire. No one reports making this statement but people at the scene and monitoring radio traffic back at the Embassy Annex, in the Regional Security Coordination Center, remember having heard the statement. (Damage to the Mamba includes bullet holes on both sides of the vehicle but there is no eye-witness who can account for the damage.) At about the same time an ambulance came through the smoke, on the west-bound travel lanes, headed in the direction of [ ] (The team members would later tell investigators that they were well aware from intelligence briefings that ambulances had been used in the past in attacks on U.S. forces in Iraq and that such attacks were expected in the future. The men who fired said they were not aware of any incoming fire when they fired on the ambulance.) Three team members fired on the ambulance and it came to a stop near the south-east corner of the Turkish Embassy compound. It is possible, but very unlikely, that some of these rounds struck the Turkish facility. It is quite possible that the man standing on top of one of the embassy buildings, holding a radio, could hear the crack of the rounds as they passed by.

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5. (C) Within a minute, of the shots being fired at the ambulance, the helicopters arrived over the scene. The helicopters landed one at a time and each took away one of the two most severely wounded. (Post reported in Reftel that all four wounded were evacuated from the Ministry of Finance. We have learned this was not the case.) The helicopters took the wounded to the Army Combat Surgical Hospital inside the IZ. The team on the ground removed sensitive items from the damaged vehicle and then used small-arms fire to destroy those items they could not remove. The people in the Turkish Embassy compound would have been able to hear this shooting but there is no way any of these rounds struck the Turkish compound. The remaining members of [ ] then boarded the [ ] remaining vehicles and drove east to the Ministry of Finance. The two

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E.O. 12958: DECL: 05/04/2016  
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2. (C) [ ] was a Tactical Support Team consisting of Mamba and [ ] Bearcat armored cars as well as [ ] personnel. At the time of the attack they were traveling east on a road known by the Army as Alternate Supply Route [ ] ASR [ ] is a four lane, divided, road that runs from the south-west to the north-east in north-central Baghdad. [ ] was traveling towards the Ministry of Finance and about 150 yards past an intersection identified as [ ]. As the [ ] vehicle in the convoy, a Mamba, was parallel to the Turkish Embassy, an Explosively Formed Projectile, placed in a light pole on the southern edge of the road, detonated. The right-hand-drive Mamba, with [ ] passengers, was struck on the right-side driver's window by three copper projectiles. The projectiles penetrated the armored glass, almost severed the driver's hand and injured the right eye and face of the front passenger before exiting the armored glass on the far side of the vehicle. Two other passengers in the vehicle suffered moderate wounds during the attack. The vehicle was also struck by dozens of smaller projectiles. It is highly probable due to its proximity to the attack that some of these projectiles struck the Turkish Embassy on the other side of the road.

3. (U) At 0908 hours, the Regional Security Office Tactical Operations Center, located in the Embassy Annex, received a radio communication from [ ] that they were in contact and had wounded that needed immediate medical attention. Contract helicopters assigned to the RSO, located at Landing Zone Washington, inside the International Zone, were ordered to respond. The two four-man M-530 (Little Bird) helicopters were in the air at [ ] hours. The helicopters arrived over the attack site at approximately [ ] hours.

4. (C) In the [ ] minutes between the detonation of the EFP and the arrival of the helicopters the [ ] undamaged vehicles set up a defensive perimeter around the damaged Mamba and removed the injured men from the vehicle. The wounded were treated and several smoke canisters were activated to mark their location for the helicopters. Someone on the radio said that the team was taking small-arms fire. {Please clarify this statement - Who said the team was taking fire? Was the team actually taking fire based on eyewitness testimony or is the only evidence the radio transmission?}

Damage to the Mamba includes

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bullet holes on both sides of the vehicle.) At the same time an ambulance came through the smoke, on the west-bound travel lanes, headed in the direction of [redacted]. (The team members would later tell investigators that they were well aware from intelligence briefings that ambulances had been used in the past in attacks on U.S. forces in Iraq and that such attacks were expected in the future.) Three team members fired on the ambulance and it came to a stop near the south-east corner of the Turkish Embassy compound. It is possible, but very unlikely, that some of these rounds struck the Turkish facility. It is quite possible that the man standing on top of one of the embassy buildings, holding a radio, could hear the crack of the rounds as they passed by.

5. (C) Within a minute of the shots being fired at the ambulance, the helicopters arrived over the scene. The helicopters landed one at a time and each took away one of the two most severely wounded. (Post reported in Reftel that all four wounded were evacuated from the Ministry of Finance. We have learned this was not the case.) The helicopters took the wounded to the Army Combat Surgical Hospital inside the IZ. The team on the ground removed sensitive items from the damaged vehicle and then used small-arms fire to destroy those items they could not remove. The people in the Turkish Embassy compound would have been able to hear this shooting but there is no way any of these rounds struck the Turkish compound. The remaining members of [redacted] then boarded the [redacted] remaining vehicles and drove east to the Ministry of Finance. The two helicopters, having dropped the first two wounded at the CSH, flew to the MOF, picked up the other two wounded and took them to the CSH. [redacted] joined another team, [redacted] who were already at the MOF and the two teams traveled back to the IZ together.

6. (U) Of the [redacted] people in the Mamba when it was hit one lost his arm below the elbow and has been evacuated back to the U.S. One man will possibly lose his right eye and suffered other injuries to his face. He also has been evacuated back to the U.S. Two men suffered puncture wounds but have been released from the hospital and will be able to return to duty if they wish. The fifth man, a DS Agent, suffered a very superficial wound to the back of his

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neck and was treated and released the day of the attack.  
Point of contact is acting RSO Jon Myers.

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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

TO: DS – Joe Morton, Acting

FROM: DS/IP/NEA – Jim McDermott

SUBJECT: May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2006 Attack on COM PSD Team in Baghdad

On May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2006 at approximately 0980 hours, a Chief of Mission (COM) PSD Advance Team was attacked with an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and Small Arms Fire (SAF) while enroute to the Ministry of Finance. Initial reports indicate that the IED was an Explosively Formed Projectile (EFP). The attack resulted in four COM PSD contractors wounded in action (WIA) – one WIA suffered an amputated arm, one WIA suffered facial injuries and two WIAs suffered leg wounds but remained ambulatory. One of ambulatory wounded has since undergone abdominal surgery for a wound found during a follow-on medical examination. [ ] COM vehicles [ ] Mamba, [ ] Bearcat) were involved in the attack. One Mamba (the trail vehicle) in the convoy was destroyed and stripped of all sensitive items and equipment prior to being abandoned. b2

The wounded were transported to the Combat Support Hospital (CSH) inside the International Zone (IZ) by COM Blackwater Air helicopter (M-530 Little Bird) assets. During the rescue flight into the attack zone, the helicopters flew low over buildings in the area, but did not/not fire on any ground targets. In response to the attack, COM PSD elements returned SAF at hostile forces in the area. A Military Quick Reaction Force was dispatched to lead efforts in recovering the vehicle. There is one unconfirmed report of one LN KIA.

Subsequent to the attack, RSO Baghdad received notification from a high-ranking Turkish official that the Turkish Embassy received small arms fire that they believe came from the M-530 Blackwater helicopters. The Tactical Operations Center (TOC) radio operator asked the pilots of the "Little Birds" whether they were in fact engaging targets. DS Special Agent Tony Smith was directly adjacent to the radio and heard both the request and the "Little Bird" pilots' response, which was negative. They were not engaging targets. This information was also verified

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by DS Special Agent Jeff Lischke, Baghdad High Threat Protection Program Manager, in two separate conversations with the contractor Project Manager for Baghdad. During both conversations, the Project Manager stated that no shots were fired from the "Little Bird" helicopters.

Regional Security Office Baghdad is conducting an investigation concerning the alleged incident. In addition, the HTP Division has been in contact with DS Legal, which advised that any discussion of liability issues is premature pending further investigation. Any communications with the Turkish Government will need to be coordinated through Legal and Public Affairs.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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TRUE NAME N/A		CASE TYPE Administrative	
POST Baghdad	DATE REPORTED 05-02-2006	DATES INVESTIGATED 05-02-2006 to 05-04-2006	REPORTING AGENT S/A Pryer CP

## SYNOPSIS

On 05-02-2006, at 0908 hours Chief of Mission Protective Security Detail ☐ was attacked by persons unknown with a road-side-mounted Explosively Formed Projectile while traveling on a road in Baghdad, Iraq, known as Alternate Supply Route ☐ consisted of ☐ armored vehicles and ☐ personnel. One vehicle was damaged and five people injured in the blast. One of the injured was a Diplomatic Security Special Agent, who sustained a superficial wound to the back of the neck. The other four injured were contractors. Two of the wounded men sustained serious injuries and were evacuated from the scene by organic air assets. The two less-seriously wounded were evacuated by the same air assets after ☐ moved to a more secure area after having removed or destroyed sensitive equipment in the damaged vehicle.

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The explosion took place across the road from the Turkish embassy and the blast was directed towards the embassy buildings. While ☐ was still at the attack-site members of the team fired on an ambulance that was attempting to drive past the site on a parallel road. One person in the ambulance was later reported to have died from gun-shot wounds. The team also used small-arms fire to destroy radios in the damaged vehicle. At no time did any of the crew-members in either of the helicopters that responded to the scene fire a weapon.

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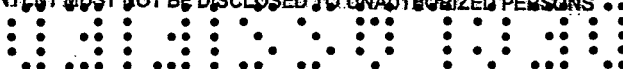
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SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

All times are approximate.

0908 - Regional Security Office Tactical Operations Center receives a radio transmission from [ ] that they are engaged.

[ ] a Tactical Support Team consisting of [ ] armored cars and [ ] personnel, was driving on Alternate Supply Route [ ]. They were 150 meters past the intersection known as [ ], headed east, towards the Ministry of Finance compound. As the last vehicle in the convoy passed parallel to the Turkish Embassy compound, located on the northern side of ASR [ ], a road-side Explosively Formed Projectile, hidden in a light-pole on the right-hand (south) side of the road, was detonated. Three primary and many smaller projectiles struck the Mamba. The three primary projectiles penetrated the driver's side window of the right-hand-drive vehicle, injured the five people inside and passed through the passenger-side window. The Mamba was knocked up on two wheels and veered to the left as the driver tried to regain control with his one remaining hand.

The explosion was heard by every member of the team. Several looked back and saw the Mamba emerge from a cloud of smoke as the driver struggled to keep the vehicle from tipping onto its left side. The Mamba left the roadway, on the north side of the east-bound lanes, and came to a stop with two wheels on the road and two wheels in soft dirt on the side of the road.

The Tactical Commander, in the lead vehicle, gave the order to push through the attack but someone else said there was a vehicle down and they had to go back. The Team Leader radioed to the TOC that [ ] was engaged and was about to give the order to turn around when he realized all [ ] drivers had already done so. The [ ] vehicle, a Bearcat, reversed past the damaged Mamba and stopped about half way between it and the site of the detonation. The Emergency Response Vehicle, a Bearcat with the team medic and the [ ] vehicle in the convoy, moved back to a position along side the damaged Mamba. The [ ] vehicle, a Mamba, took up a position forward, (east), of the damaged vehicle. The turret gunners in the [ ] vehicles oriented their weapons east, south and west respectively. The drivers stayed behind the wheel of each vehicle. The remaining shooters exited the vehicles; some went to the aid of the injured in the damaged vehicle and the rest took up defensive positions, completing 360 degree coverage. The Team Leader informed the TOC that [ ] had wounded that required emergency evacuation.

0910 - The TOC dispatches two Blackwater Air helicopters to support [ ].

[ ] activated at least five smoke dispensing grenades; three red, one green and one white. The scene quickly became obscured with smoke. [ ] on the

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Ministry of Finance building 800 meters to the east had heard the explosion and were able to see some of what was happening at the attack site until the smoke obscured their view.

In the next three to five minutes several key events transpired. There is not universal agreement in the accounts of the participant as to the order of these events but what follows is a reasonable compilation based on the most oft occurring agreements in the witness statements.

The injured were removed from the damaged vehicle. Team members providing security saw a man with a radio on top of one of the Turkish Embassy buildings. This information was relayed to other members of the team and there was concern the man might be involved in the attack. The two most seriously injured were moved to the Emergency Response Vehicle. The DS Agent, who had been in the \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle when it was attacked, took up a defensive position, as did one of the other wounded men. The fifth man from the damaged vehicle helped remove sensitive equipment. b2

0913 - Two BWA helicopters lift off and head towards the Ministry of Finance.

The radios in the damaged vehicle could not be removed so one team member fired at them with his assault rifle.

Someone over the radio said either that \_\_\_\_\_ was receiving small-arms fire, or, possibly, what was said was simply that there was small-arms fire. b2

An ambulance appeared through the smoke traveling west at a high rate of speed, on the far side of the median.

\_\_\_\_\_ was in the Lead Mamba that had taken up a position to the east of the damaged vehicle. He saw the ambulance come through the smoke and began firing at the ambulance. b6 b7c

\_\_\_\_\_ had deployed from the Command vehicle, which was positioned to the south of the damaged Mamba, and was facing north, towards the Turkish Embassy, when he heard shooting to his right. He turned and saw the ambulance being fired on by \_\_\_\_\_ fired on the ambulance with his \_\_\_\_\_ b6 b7c b2

\_\_\_\_\_ was in the turret of the lead vehicle. He was facing south, towards the British cemetery. He heard shooting to his rear. He was unable to swivel his \_\_\_\_\_ so he grabbed his \_\_\_\_\_ and turned towards the sound of the shooting. \_\_\_\_\_ said he saw that other team members were firing at an ambulance and decided to join in. b6 b7c b2

Someone reported over the radio that \_\_\_\_\_ was using small-arms fire to repel vehicles approaching from the east and west.

0915 - The BWA helicopters arrive at the attack site.

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## HELICOPTER SUPPORT

### SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

All times are approximate.

On May 2, 2006, at approximately 0908, the four pilots and four gunners that make up the crews of Blackwater Air helicopters [ ] and [ ] were in the process of kitting-up for a scheduled 0930 mission. BWA [ ] and BWA [ ] are M-530 "Little Bird" helicopters. Each has two seats; one for the pilot and one for the co-pilot. Two gunners sit on the floor, behind the pilots, with their legs hanging out the open door of the helicopter. They are armed with [ ]. Blackwater Air is based in a hanger on the southern edge of Landing Zone Washington; inside the International Zone. b2

Some crew-members heard the radio transmission from [ ] that they were engaged. One crew-member reported that someone said over the radio that [ ] was "in a fire-fight." They started the helicopter's motors and informed the other crew-members what was happening. The Regional Security Office Tactical Operations Center formally dispatched BWA [ ] and [ ] and informed them that [ ] had casualties that needed emergency medical evacuation. The helicopters lifted off at 0912 and headed north towards the Ministry of Finance which was the current best reference-point for [ ] location. b2

The helicopters flew to the MOF and started a search pattern. The pilots immediately saw the smoke 800 meters to the south-west and flew to that location. They arrived over the attack-site at 0915 and circled the scene looking for any threats. Their flight-path would have taken them over the Turkish Embassy buildings. None of the crew-members heard any shooting or observed any threats. A person on the ground indicated with arm signals a landing-zone on the road, just a few meters north of the defensive perimeter and the first helicopter landed.

The original intent, evidently, was to put both of the seriously wounded men in one helicopter but as soon as the gunner from the first helicopter saw the nature and extent of the injuries to the driver of the Mamba the decision was made to not take the time that would be required to get both men in one helicopter. The driver with the amputated hand was loaded and, having been on the ground less than thirty seconds, the first helicopter was en route to the Combat Surgical Hospital inside the International Zone.

The second helicopter, which had been circling overhead providing cover, now landed and picked-up the man with injuries to his face and eye. The helicopter lifted off and headed to the cash.

At no time did the crew of either helicopter fire any of their weapons. There was no shooting while the helicopters were at the attack site.

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Each helicopter crew delivered their injured passenger to the CSH and then, having been notified that [ ] had moved to the MOF, both helicopters went to that location where one landed and loaded the next two wounded men into the single helicopter. The gunners stayed behind to make room and the wounded were transported to the CSH. The helicopters returned to the MOF. As they passed over the attack site they saw Iraqi Police around the Mamba. They did not hear any shooting. One helicopter landed and picked up the two gunners and then both helicopters escorted [ ] and another team, [ ] back to the IZ.

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b2 [ ] OBSERVATIONS

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

All times are approximate.

On the morning of the attack, at about 0850 hours, an advance team, including two [ ] and one spotter, arrived at the Ministry of Finance and took up positions. The [ ] and their spotter were on the roof of the MOF building.

The [ ] heard and saw the explosion and knew based on the time and location that [ ] was probably the victim of the attack. They were able to observe activity at the attack-site, 800 meters to the south-west, until smoke obscured their view.

The [ ] heard shooting from the direction of the attack-site but they could not determine the source or direction of the shooting. (One [ ] saw an ambulance approach the site. He did not see anyone shoot at the ambulance.)

After the shooting the [ ] saw the helicopters arrive at the scene. They did not hear shooting while the helicopters were present.

The [ ] saw [ ] move to the MOF. They then saw the Iraqi Police arrive at the attack-site.

During the event two of the [ ] saw a man on a building videotaping the attack-site. The man was on a building located fifty meters east of the attack-site and 720 meters west of their position at the MOF. One [ ] asked for permission to shoot the man with the camera but by the time the request was approved the man was gone.

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MEETING WITH TURKISH DCM

May 8, 2006

On the above date Acting Regional Security Officer Jon Myers met with representatives from the Turkish Mission to Iraq to discuss the Turkish claim that RSO helicopters fired on their Chancery during the EFP attack on May 2, 2006.

The Turks said that the employee who said he saw the helicopters fire on the Mission facility is no longer in Iraq. They said there is damage to the south wall of their main building that they claimed was caused by gunfire from the helicopter.

Myers explained that we could find no evidenced that our helicopter crews fired that day.

The damage location is consistent with RSO's theory that the Turkish building was struck with projectiles caused by the EFP detonation.

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Interview with [REDACTED] b2 b6 b7c

On 3-May-06 interviewing agent Roel Respecia interviewed [REDACTED] pertaining to the IED attack against the TST on 2-May-06. b6 b7c

[REDACTED] stated that HE atop the rooftop of the Ministry of Finance (MOF) at the time of the incident. [REDACTED] stated that HE saw the smoke shortly after the explosion and pulled observation of the site until HE was told to pull off the rooftop.

[REDACTED] stated that HE saw an individual on top of a rooftop of a one-floor building close to the MOF. [REDACTED] described the individual as having dark hair, clean cut and having no beard. [REDACTED] said that the individual was videotaping the area of the attack. [REDACTED] added that the building where the individual was seen videotaping was approximately 50 meters from the attack site.

[REDACTED] stated that HE did not engage the individual that was videotaping the scene. [REDACTED] stated that HE heard gunfire during the incident but could not remember at what point it happened. [REDACTED] said that HE did not see any gunfire from the team on the ground.

[REDACTED] stated that HE saw an ambulance approach the attack site. [REDACTED] stated that HE did not see anyone engage the ambulance. [REDACTED] further stated that HE did not see anyone shoot at the direction of the Turkish Embassy.

[REDACTED] stated that he saw possible threat near the Turkish Embassy area. [REDACTED] described the possible threat as an individual dressed in an all-black outfit and was seen observing the attack site.

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Interview with

██████████ B.W. Bearcat turret gunner

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On 3-May-06, interviewing agent Roel Respecia interviewed ██████████  
pertaining to the IED incident on 2-May-06.

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██████████ stated that at the day of the incident, HE was the turret gunner of the Bearcat behind the lead Mamba.

██████████ stated that shortly after passing ██████████, HE heard a loud explosion. ██████████  
said that HE was oriented at the direction of travel and turned HIS turret around.  
said that HE saw the Mamba drifting to the left side of the road.

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██████████ stated that convoy stopped and turned around to take positions around the stricken Mamba. HE stated that there were no vehicles behind HIM and HE oriented HIS turret outward facing the road from where the convoy came from.

██████████ stated that the medic from HIS Bearcat and another individual went to the down vehicle and were helping the wounded. HE also said that the Shift Leader removed the ██████████ and automatic weapons from the Mamba.

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██████████ said that HE heard shots from what HE thought were from the incapacitated vehicle. ██████████ said that HE thought that the Shift Leader might be destroying the radio.

★ { ██████████ stated that HE then heard shots behind HIM and HE rotated HIS turret towards the Turkish Embassy. HE stated that HE saw an ambulance next to the Turkish Embassy and rotated the turret back to HIS original position.

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██████████ stated that HE did not see any immediate threats at HIS field of observation. HE stated that the helicopters came in and picked up the wounded.

██████████ stated that HE did not fire HIS weapon during the incident. ██████████ further stated that HE did not recall receiving any gunfire.

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Interview with

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On 3-May-06 interviewing agent Roel Respecia interviewed [ ] pertaining to the IED attack against the TST on 2-May-06.

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[ ] stated that HE was doing an advance on the Ministry of Finance (MOF) and was positioned on top of the roof. [ ] said that HIS duties at the time was a [ ]

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[ ] said that HE was at HIS rooftop position for about 20 minutes and keeping an eye on the South and Southwest area. [ ] said that HE heard a blast and saw the explosion from the corner of HIS eye. [ ] said that HE realized that a PSD was attacked and knew that it was TM, [ ]

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[ ] stated that HE saw the activities at the attack site. HE added that smoke was deployed heavily at the area and that HE had limited visibility. [ ] stated that he heard gunfire but did not see where the gunfire was coming from. [ ] reiterated that HE heard the gunfire prior to the helicopters arriving on site.

[ ] stated that he saw TM [ ] conduct vehicle recovery and moved on the MOF. HE stated that HE saw the arrival of the Iraqi Police and the Iraqi National Guard at approach the stricken vehicle.

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[ ] stated that the MOF is located about 720 meters from the attack site.

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Report of Interview: [REDACTED] b6  
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EFP Attack on [REDACTED] 2 May, 2006 b2

Interview of [REDACTED] Private contractor working for  
Blackwater as part of the WPPS contract. b6  
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The interview was conducted on 3 May, 2006 by S/A C. Pryer

[REDACTED] was a Team Leader in training at the time of the attack. He was in the lead vehicle.

[REDACTED] was obviously very shaken by the attack and even 24 hours later his ability to describe events was hampered by strong emotion.

[REDACTED] said that he heard the explosion and called for the convoy to push-on. Someone else said that they had a vehicle down and had to go back. [REDACTED] said the three undamaged vehicles went back and formed a defensive perimeter around the damaged vehicle.

[REDACTED] said he was focused on the injured and on removing and destroying equipment in the damaged vehicle when he heard shooting. He looked back and saw an ambulance on the west-bound travel lanes. He assumed the shooting involved the ambulance but, because he was quite busy and it sounded like there was sufficient fire from other team members, he went back to what he was doing.

[REDACTED] did not fire his weapon that day. He did not see or hear any gun-fire coming from the helicopters that supported them that day. He said [REDACTED] team members fired twice. Once at the ambulance and once when they destroyed the radios in the damaged vehicle. [REDACTED] was not aware of any incoming fire. b2

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Driver, ERV, Team

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On May 5, 2006, SA Lance O'Donnell interviewed Blackwater employee [redacted] in the Regional Security Coordination Center (RSCC or "Bullpen") U.S. Embassy Baghdad. SA O'Donnell stated that the RSO office was conducting an administrative inquiry into the events of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, and that it was not a criminal investigation and that none of his statements would be used against him in any way.

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[redacted] stated he heard a boom and felt a shock wave. He stopped the vehicle and executed a "Y" turn and drove passed the downed vehicle. [redacted] stated that the medic [redacted] got out of the vehicle and worked on the casualties in the back of the vehicle. [redacted] stated that the only time he exited the vehicle was to close the rear door of the vehicle when the helicopters landed to protect the casualties from dust.

[redacted] stated he didn't fire his weapon and didn't see any threats during the incident

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Assistant Team Leader, Team

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[redacted] stated that on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, his team was out in support of Team [redacted] move to the Ministry of Finance. [redacted] was the Assistant Team Leader and was traveling in the lead Mamba vehicle. [redacted] stated that his team was moving to cross Bridge [redacted] but that it was blocked off the Iraqi Police (IPs). Since traffic wasn't moving, [redacted] made the call to cross Bridge [redacted] which was clear. En route, [redacted] was able to see Bride and saw no vehicles on the bridge.

About 100 meters after the team crossed [redacted] heard an explosion. The first call that was made was to drive through. [redacted] noticed that the follow car was hit and saw it veer off to the side of the road. [redacted] stated that his lead vehicle turned around and they set up a 360 degree perimeter around the downed vehicle. [redacted] then stated the call was made to evacuate the casualties and called in for an air evacuation. At this time, [redacted] stated that the casualties were moved to the ERV. [redacted] then began to sanitize the downed vehicle by removing the weapons, BFT, and shot the radio.

[redacted] stated that he and other members of the team threw smoke to set up a screen. Through the smoke, [redacted] stated that he saw an ambulance approaching at a high rate of speed. [redacted] stated that he saw the lead gunner fire two rounds at the grill of the ambulance. The vehicle continued to move forward and [redacted] stated that he saw a [redacted] gunner engage the vehicle. At this point the vehicle stopped and [redacted] saw two individuals get out of the passenger side door of the ambulance.

[redacted] stated that at this point he continued to sanitize the vehicle and the helicopters came and evacuated the first two casualties. When it was evident that the vehicle couldn't be moved, the call was made to leave the Mamba in place and proceed to the Ministry of Finance (MOF). When they reached the MOF, [redacted] stated that he called the helicopters to pick up the remaining two casualties. At the MOF, [redacted] stated they then coordinated with Team [redacted] for a move back to the International Zone.

[redacted] completed his statement by saying he believed that his team was channeled away from Bridge [redacted] and forced to go across Bridge [redacted] to take that route to the MOF by the Iraqi Police.

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**Lead Gunner, Blackwater**

On May 3, 2006, SA Lance O'Donnell interviewed Blackwater employee [redacted] in the Regional Security Coordination Center (RSCC or "Bullpen") U.S. Embassy Baghdad. SA O'Donnell stated that the RSO office was conducting an administrative inquiry into the events of May 4, 2006, and that it was not a criminal investigation and that none of his statements would be used against him in any way.

[redacted] stated that he was the lead gunner for Blackwater helicopter [redacted] [redacted] stated that on May 3, 2006, at 0915 hrs., he was preparing to get on his helicopter for a 0930 hr. mission. [redacted] noticed that the pilots were moving about ecstatically as if something was wrong. [redacted] jumped onto the helicopter and hooked up his radio and heard that Team [redacted] was in a fire fight. [redacted] stated that the helicopter took off and proceeded toward the attack location. [redacted] stated that the first thing he saw was a lot of smoke. [redacted] stated that the helicopter flew over the "X" and did a circle one time around the sight. [redacted] stated that the helicopter landed behind the downed vehicle with the Turkish Embassy on the right hand side. Once the helicopter landed and he and the other gunner set up a small security perimeter, [redacted] scanned the area for threats and possible IEDS and did not see anything that he considered a threat. [redacted] saw casualties coming toward him and called out for the most serious casualty to be brought to him and be put on the helicopter. [redacted] stated that a casualty with a partially amputated hand was brought towards him and he put the casualty on the helicopter and gave a command to the pilot to take off. [redacted] stated that he was on the ground for a total of about thirty seconds.

[redacted] stated that they flew directly to the CASH and landed. [redacted] motioned to a medical person to assist him and they both put the casualty onto a gurney. [redacted] then stated that the helicopter took off and proceeded to the Ministry of Finance (MOF).

[redacted] stated that the helicopter circled the Ministry of Finance (MOF) and found an improvised landing zone and landed. [redacted] stated that another casualty was loaded onto the helicopter and that he remained on the site while the helicopter evacuated the casualty. When the helicopter returned, he boarded the aircraft and went back to the attack site and noticed Iraqi Police (IP) circled around the downed Mamba vehicle.

[redacted] stated that they then flew back to refuel and proceeded to BIAP to escort another team back into the International Zone.

When questioned, [redacted] stated that at no time did he hear gunfire or did he see anyone other than the PSD with weapons. [redacted] stated that at no time did he fire a weapon or see another team member fire a weapon. [redacted] couldn't tell whether the Iraqi police had weapons.

When questioned, [REDACTED] stated that the attack scene was blocked off by the Iraqi police and that he saw what he believed to be an ambulance parked behind the police vehicles. b6 b7c

[REDACTED] had no further comments on the incident. b6 b7c

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3<sup>rd</sup> Vehicle Fire Team Member, Team

On May 5, 2006, SA Lance O'Donnell interviewed Blackwater employee [redacted] in the Regional Security Coordination Center (RSCC or "Bullpen") U.S. Embassy Baghdad. SA O'Donnell stated that the RSO office was conducting an administrative inquiry into the events of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, and that it was not a criminal investigation and that none of his statements would be used against him in any way.

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[redacted] stated that he was part of the fire team in the 3<sup>rd</sup> vehicle of the motorcade (Bearcat). [redacted] stated that en route to their venue, he saw on his right side an EFP go off. [redacted] called out to his team members "contact to the rear". [redacted] stated that he saw the follow vehicle (Mamba) come to a halt in the medium of the road. [redacted] stated that he grabbed the [redacted] and deployed out the back of his vehicle and pulled security on the cemetery on the other side of the road. Another fire team member jumped to where he was so he shifted his sector to cover the north side of the road. [redacted] said he saw movement on top of a building which he later learned was the Turkish Embassy. [redacted] stated that he saw an individual come out of the front of the building with a radio, but no one with a weapon.

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[redacted] stated that he then heard small arms fire to his right and saw an ambulance moving forward at a high rate of speed and being engaged by a team member with an [redacted] stated that he put one burst with the [redacted] into the ambulance vehicle. After he engaged the vehicle, he saw two individuals come out of the ambulance passenger side door showing their hands and retreat behind of the vehicle.

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[redacted] stated that he continued to pull security until the casualties were evacuated by their helicopters. Once he heard the horns honking to signal to recover, he went back into his vehicle. [redacted] then stated that the team proceeded to the Ministry of Finance (MOF) and reconsolidated. [redacted] stated that once the helicopters returned to pick up the remaining casualties, the team proceeded back to the International Zone.

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**Lead Vehicle Up-gunner, Team**

On May 5, 2006, SA Lance O'Donnell interviewed Blackwater employee [redacted] in the Regional Security Coordination Center (RSCC or "Bullpen") U.S. Embassy Baghdad. SA O'Donnell stated that the RSO office was conducting an administrative inquiry into the events of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, and that it was not a criminal investigation and that none of his statements would be used against him in any way.

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[redacted] stated that he was the up-gunner for the first vehicle (Mamba) in the motorcade. [redacted] stated that the direction of travel was clear of vehicles but the cross traffic was bumper to bumper. [redacted] stated that a half kilometer south of the Ministry of Finance (MOF) he heard a boom. [redacted] stated he saw a black cloud to his left and the follow vehicle start to swerve and pop over the curb of the median in the road. [redacted] stated that they turned his vehicle around and his vehicle and the other vehicles made a defensive half circle around the downed vehicle. [redacted] stated that he focused on a large building which he later learned was the Turkish Embassy.

Once in position, [redacted] stated that someone layed down smoke and all the cars on the other side of the median cleared out of the way or stopped and didn't proceed any further. [redacted] stated that he saw an ambulance come out of the smoke at a high rate of speed. [redacted] stated that he fired one round into the grill of the Ambulance and the vehicle did not slow down. [redacted] proceeded to fire at the left front tire area and the vehicle began to slow down a little. As the vehicle continued forward, [redacted] fired into the front windshield and the vehicle finally stopped. [redacted] stated that he saw one individual get out of the passenger side. [redacted] stated the individual was uninjured.

[redacted] stated that he then saw the helicopters land and two casualties loaded onto the aircraft [redacted] then stated that they proceeded to the Ministry of Finance and linked up with Team [redacted] and proceeded back to the International Zone.

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Up-Gunner, Team [ ]

On May 5, 2006, SA Lance O'Donnell interviewed Blackwater employee [ ] in the Regional Security Coordination Center (RSCC or "Bullpen") U.S. Embassy Baghdad. SA O'Donnell stated that the RSO office was conducting an administrative inquiry into the events of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, and that it was not a criminal investigation and that none of his statements would be used against him in any way.

[ ] stated that on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, he was assigned as the up-gunner in a Bearcat which was the third vehicle in the motorcade for Team [ ] stated that he heard an explosion and saw the follow vehicle move off to the side of the road. [ ] then called out "contact" to the rest of the vehicle. [ ] stated that the call was made to push out, but this was impossible because he saw that the driver of the downed vehicle was injured. [ ] stated that his vehicle did a "Y" turn and drove passed the downed vehicle and took up a position behind that vehicle. [ ] had his turret to cover rear security in the 360 degree perimeter. [ ] stated that he noticed a male with a black vest and a radio on top of a building which he later learned was the Turkish Embassy.

[ ] then stated that he heard shots and saw an ambulance stop and one individual get out of the vehicle. After this incident, [ ] stated that he saw the "Little Birds" come in and evacuate the casualties.

After the casualties were evacuated, [ ] stated that the team proceeded to the Ministry of Finance (MOF) and linked up with Team [ ] stated that while they were at the MOF, the helicopters returned to pick up the remaining two casualties. [ ] then stated that the motorcade regrouped and rolled back to the International Zone.

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3<sup>rd</sup> Vehicle Fire Team Member, Team [ ] b2

On May 5, 2006, SA Lance O'Donnell interviewed Blackwater employee [redacted] in the Regional Security Coordination Center (RSCC or "Bullpen") U.S. Embassy Baghdad. SA O'Donnell stated that the RSO office was conducting an administrative inquiry into the events of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, and that it was not a criminal investigation and that none of his statements would be used against him in any way.

\_\_\_\_\_ stated that he was positioned on the right side of the 3<sup>rd</sup> vehicle, a Bearcat, in the motorcade. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that right after they passed \_\_\_\_\_ that he saw an IED go off at the 3 o'clock position and yelled out. \_\_\_\_\_ stated he looked at the follow vehicle and did not see any movement inside the vehicle. \_\_\_\_\_ stated he deployed and helped cross load gear from the downed vehicle into his vehicle.

\_\_\_\_\_ stated at one point he heard shots and saw an ambulance moving at a high rate of speed and then heard more shots. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that at no point during the incident did he fire any shoots.

\_\_\_\_\_ stated that he helped bring the casualties onto the helicopters when they landed.

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On May 4, 2006, SA Lance O'Donnell interviewed Blackwater employee [ ] in the Regional Security Coordination Center (RSCC or "Bullpen") U.S. Embassy Baghdad. SA O'Donnell stated that the RSO office was conducting an administrative inquiry into the events of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, and that it was not a criminal investigation and that none of his statements would be used against him in any way.

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[ ] stated on the morning of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, he had just completed a mission taking two individuals from RCLO to the SEU. [ ] was in the process of kitting up in anticipation of a 0930 mission. [ ] stated that his co-pilot "Abe" heard that Team [ ] was in contact and was requesting assistance. [ ] stated that they then proceeded to the Ministry of Finance (MOF) which is where he heard the attack was in the vicinity of. [ ] tried to raise Team [ ] on the radio without success. [ ] then stated that they did a search pattern and spotted smoke. Once they spotted the smoke, [ ] was able to gain radio communication with Team [ ] and they stated that they had casualties. [ ] stated that they flew around the attack site scanning for threats and only saw a solitary male on the roof of the Turkish Embassy. [ ] stated that the individual was not armed. [ ] stated that he landed the helicopter in front of the vehicles and planned to deploy both of the gunners. When [ ] saw the condition of the casualty, the gunners boarded the aircraft with the injured person and they flew to the CASH. [ ] stated that they dropped off the casualty and returned to the scene. [ ] stated that they then landed at the MOF and picked up an additional casualty and moved him to the CASH.

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[ ] stated that they made a trip back to the scene of the attack and saw that the Iraqi Police were around the vehicle. [ ] heard over that radio that a U.S. Army QRF was en route and that they did not need to stay on the scene. At this time, [ ] heard that there were two more casualties at the MOF who needed to be transported back to the CASH. [ ] flew the helicopter to the MOF and picked up an additional casualty. After the casualties were brought back to the CASH, they returned to the MOF to escort Team [ ] and Team [ ] in one motorcade back into the International Zone. After the teams were taken back to the International Zone, the helicopter flew to the Fairgrounds to escort another team back to the International Zone.

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When questioned, [ ] stated that at no time during the incident did he hear rounds fired or see shots at the helicopter, nor did he see or hear shots from the helicopter gunners.

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Report of Interview

2006 - 060

EFP Attack on [ ] 2 May, 2006

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Interview of [ ]  
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Interview conducted on 3 May, 2006, by S/A C. Pryer

[ ] was the Team Leader for [ ]. He was riding in the command vehicle at the time of the attack.

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According to [ ] the [ ] convoy was 150 meters past the intersection known as [ ], headed towards the Ministry of Finance, when he heard an explosion. He looked in the rear-view mirror and saw the Follow-Car come out of a cloud of smoke. It was up on two wheels and he could see that the driver was struggling to keep control. The Follow-Car swerved to the other side of the road where it came to a stop.

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[ ] said he was about to give the order for everyone to turn around and go back when he realized that the drivers of the other [ ] vehicles had already done so. [ ] said that his vehicle, along with the other [ ], formed a protective ring around the damaged vehicle and the personnel inside deployed and took up defensive positions. Organic air assets had already been notified about the need for medical evacuation and [ ] understood they were in rout. [ ] was supervising the extraction of the wounded and communicating with the helicopters and the Tactical Operations Center.

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[ ] heard small-arms fire. He looked over his right shoulder and saw that an ambulance was traveling past their position on the opposite travel lanes across the twenty-meter wide median that divided the road. [ ] saw no other vehicles on the road and assumed his men were shooting at the ambulance. He went back to what he was doing.

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[ ] saw that his men had activated smoke dispensers. He identified a landing zone for the helicopters and directed the first one to land. The most severely wounded man was loaded on the first helicopter while the second helicopter circled overhead, providing security. At no time did [ ] see or hear any evidence that gunners from either helicopter fired their weapons. After the first helicopter lifted off the second landed and the next wounded man was loaded. The second helicopter left the scene with the injured man.

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The sensitive equipment in the damaged vehicle was removed or destroyed with small-arms fire and the team climbed into the remaining vehicles and left the scene to the Ministry of Finance compound. At the Ministry they met up with another team, [ ]. The helicopters returned and removed the remaining two injured men. After the

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helicopters returned and were in a position to provide air cover, the two teams drove back to the international zone.

[ ] said that he did not fire his weapon at any time during the mission.

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REPORT OF INTERVIEW

2006 - 060 Attack on [ ] May 2, 2006

Interview of [ ]

Interviewed by S/A C. Pryer May 3, 2006

[ ] is a contractor working for Blackwater as part of the WPPS contract in Baghdad. He was assigned as a [ ] on the day of the event and was positioned on the roof of the Ministry of Finance building, 800 meters to the north-east of the attack site.

[ ] and two other [ ] arrived at the attack site about fifteen minutes before the attack. He heard and saw the explosion and feared it was [ ]. He saw [ ] vehicles heading back to the attack site.

[ ] scanned the area looking for a secondary attack. He saw a man on a building filming with a video camera. The man was about fifty meters east of the attack site and 720 meters west of [ ] position. [ ] radioed for permission to shoot the man. He was given permission to do so but the man was no longer visible.

[ ] heard shooting at the attack site and saw the helicopters arrive. He did not see any shooting coming from the helicopters.

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Memorandum of Interview  
Reporting Agent (RA): Jason Veiock  
Date/Time: 5/3/06 1445L-1500L  
Subject of Interview: [redacted]

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On 5/3/06, SA Jason Veiock (RA) interviewed Blackwater contract employee [redacted],  
(SUBJECT) in reference to IED/EDFP incident that occurred on 5/2/06. On 5/2/06,  
SUBJECT was assigned to Blackwater PSD Team [redacted] as medic. SUBJECT was riding in  
the front passenger seat of the emergency response vehicle (ERV), a BEARCAT, which  
was the second of the [redacted] convoy. SUBJECT stated that after clearing a traffic  
circle enroute to the Iraqi Ministry of Finance, HE heard a muffled explosion to the rear  
of HIS vehicle. HE stated that the driver of his vehicle turned the BEARCAT and  
stopped parallel (facing in the opposite direction) to the [redacted] vehicle in the convoy  
which had been disabled by an IED. SUBJECT stated he evacuated the driver and front  
passenger of the disabled vehicle to the BEARCAT. SUBJECT continued that prior to  
arrival of medical evacuation helicopter; HE heard approximately 2-3 rounds of semi-  
automatic weapon fire which he believed to be disabling shots to sensitive equipment in  
the disabled vehicle. SUBJECT stated that following helicopter medical evacuation of  
the driver and front passenger, the remaining wounded were transported by vehicle to the  
Ministry of Finance and then evacuated by helicopter. SUBJECT stated that he did not  
fire his weapon and did not visually observe any member of the team fire their weapon.  
SUBJECT stated that he did not know of the team receiving any incoming fire.

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Memorandum of Interview  
Reporting Agent (RA): Jason Veiock  
Date/Time: 5/3/06 -1500L-1515L  
Subject of Interview: [redacted] b6  
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On 5/3/06, SA Jason Veiock (RA) interviewed Blackwater contract employee [redacted] b6  
(SUBJECT) in reference to IED/EFPP incident that occurred on 5/2/06. On 5/2/06, b7c  
SUBJECT was assigned to Blackwater PSD Team [redacted] as the well in the emergency  
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Interview with [redacted] BW [redacted] Lead Pilot [redacted]

On 3-May-06 interviewing agent Roel Respecia interviewed [redacted] pertaining to the IED incident on 2-May-06.

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[redacted] stated that he was at the hangar at the time of the incident getting ready for a mission to support another team when they received a report that team [redacted] was hit near the Ministry of Finance.

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[redacted] said that they received an order from the TOC to proceed to the incident site. He added that upon arrival at the site HE saw red and white smoke that was thrown by the TST team on the ground.

[redacted] said that the helicopters made a sweep of the vicinity to look for visible threats. [redacted] stated that HE did not see any exposed threat in the area. [redacted] further stated that HE did not see any exposed individuals at the Turkish embassy.

[redacted] said that the helicopters did fly low over the Turkish embassy as part of the security sweep. [redacted] stated that since there are no exposed threat it was determined that they could evacuate the casualties. [redacted] said that the helicopters landed one by one to take the two individuals with the most severe injuries first to the CSH.

[redacted] stated that no munitions were released by the helicopters at the site since there were no exposed threats that were present. [redacted] further said that he did not notice any gunfire from the ground. [redacted] also stated that HE does not know what actions the ground team took before the helicopters' arrival at the scene. [redacted] said that HE did notice an ambulance at the site but was unsure of the condition due to the smoke.

[redacted] stated that he received a report that all weapons were taken and sensitive equipment destroyed on site. [redacted] said that it was HIS understanding that the equipment were destroyed by firearms.

[redacted] stated that the helicopters were on site less than five minutes from the time a request for air support was made.

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MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

On 03May2006, Special Agent's Abramaitys and Hale conducted an interview of [redacted] further referred to as [redacted]. The interview began at 1214 and concluded at 1226. The interview was in reference to the 02May2006, EFP attack on Blackwater Tactical Support Team [redacted].

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[redacted] stated that he was the left rear gunner on [redacted], referring to the Blackwater Little Bird helicopters. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was the second helicopter in a flight of two.

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[redacted] stated that his mission was set to begin at 0915 on 02May2006. [redacted] stated that at 0912 the helicopters began to power up. Noticing the early start-up, [redacted] checked his watch and recalls the time being 0912. [redacted] stated that the planned mission was to pick up team [redacted] at the Ministry of Finance. [redacted] recalls hearing the pilots talk of Team [redacted] getting "IED'd" and having "casualties".

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[redacted] recalled circling the scene of the attack and noticing green and white smoke marking the landing zone. [redacted] stated that while orbiting the area he was looking for threats, shooters and "guys with cameras". [redacted] stated that he observed no noticeable threats.

[redacted] stated that the first helicopter went in and picked up a casualty. [redacted] stated that his helicopter landed next to pick up a second casualty. [redacted] stated that they transported the casualty to the Combat Support Hospital in the International Zone and then returned to the scene of the attack to provide assistance.

[redacted] stated that upon return to the scene they provided overhead escort to Teams [redacted] and [redacted] returning from the Ministry of Finance to the International Zone. [redacted] stated that his helicopter also scouted Route [redacted] during the return trip. [redacted] also stated that there were "IP's" at the scene of the destroyed MOMBA. [redacted] stated that he received confirmation from Team [redacted] that they had removed or destroyed all sensitive materials from the destroyed MOMBA. [redacted] also stated that the road around the scene of the destroyed MOMBA was free of traffic other than the Iraqi Police.

[redacted] stated that he did not notice an ambulance on scene. [redacted] also stated that he did not observe any "bad guys". [redacted] stated that he observed no firing by either of the helicopters or any of the ground elements. [redacted] stated that he was not aware of any incoming fire directed at his helicopter. [redacted] stated that he was aware of the location of the Turkish Embassy.

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Report of Interview

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EFP Attack on [ ] 2 May, 2006

Interview of [ ]

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Interview conducted on 3 May, 2006 at 1125 hours. CP C. Pryer

[ ] was the co-pilot in Blackwater Air (BWA) [ ] during the incident.

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[ ] said he was at Landing Zone (LZ) Washington, inside the International Zone (IZ) in Baghdad, Iraq, at 0910 hours on 2 May 2006. He heard over the radio that a Blackwater Protective Security Detail (PSD), identified by the call-sign [ ] had been attacked while on a mission outside the IZ and there were injured that needed evacuation to the army Combat Surgical Hospital (CSH).

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[ ] and the other three crew-members of BW [ ], as well as the four-man crew of their sister helicopter, BW [ ], boarded their helicopters and took-off. [ ] said that the pilot of his helicopter was [ ] and his gunners were [ ] and [ ]. His helicopter was a small, four-seat craft known as a "Little-Bird." The pilot and co-pilot sit in the front and the gunners sit behind them, on the floor of the craft, with their feet out the open sides and resting on the landing skid. The design of the Little-Bird provides excellent all-around visibility for the crew; according to [ ].

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[ ] said that the two Little-Birds flew from LZ [ ] towards the Ministry of Finance which was the reference point given by the Regional Security Office Tactical Operations Center as the location of the stricken team. As they approached the Ministry Aanrud saw red smoke from what he assumed was a smoke canister activated by [ ] to mark their position. Radio contact with [ ] confirmed [ ] assumption. The two Little-Birds circled the location looking for threats to the team. He believes they were on-scene three to five minutes after receiving the first call for help. [ ] saw that [ ] had set up a defensive perimeter around their vehicles.

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BW [ ] landed on the road, a few meters from [ ] position, to pick up the wounded. BW [ ] circled over-head to provide cover. [ ] said that he did not see or hear any shooting from his Little-Bird or from anyone on the ground. [ ] did not fire a weapon at anytime during the day. [ ] said that their flight-path would have taken them over the Turkish embassy.

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[ ] said that he heard over his radio that BW [ ] had picked up the most seriously wounded and was going to take him to the CSH. After BW [ ] took off, BW [ ] landed and picked up the next most seriously wounded man and took him to the CSH.

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1 \_\_\_\_\_ said that after dropping off the first two wounded men BW \_\_\_\_\_ and BW \_\_\_\_\_ were informed by radio that \_\_\_\_\_ had abandoned their damaged vehicle and moved to the Ministry of Finance compound. The two Little-Birds flew to that location, picked-up the other two wounded men, and took them to the CSH. They then returned to the Ministry of Finance and escorted \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, who had joined them as back-up, back to the IZ.

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Interview with [redacted] BW, Intelligence Analyst

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On 4-May-06 interviewing agent Roel Respecia interviewed [redacted] BW, Intelligence Analyst, pertaining to the IED attack against the TST on 2-May-06.

[redacted] stated that SHE was riding in the lead vehicle of the TST going towards the Ministry of Finance (MOF) in support of Team [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that the TST were stuck in traffic on Bridge [redacted] [redacted] said that the Tactical Commander decided to use another route and the team went over Bridge [redacted] [redacted] stated that SHE saw that there was no vehicle activity on Bridge [redacted] as the team was going across Bridge [redacted]

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[redacted] said that the TST made a right turn on [redacted] and SHE further added that SHE noticed a noticeable change in the traffic pattern on the road. SHE said that there was less traffic on the road.

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[redacted] stated that SHE heard a loud explosion and added that SHE saw the other Mamba swerving across the road and hitting the median. [redacted] said that SHE soon realized that the Mamba was not moving.

[redacted] said that the rest of the vehicles turned around and drove to the disabled vehicle. SHE said that SHE told team members to be on the lookout for secondary explosions. [redacted] stated that SHE was not certain how the events transpired at this point.

[redacted] stated that SHE remembers [redacted] a team member from the disabled vehicle, being pulled from the vehicle and seeing that he did not have a hand. SHE also stated that SHE saw [redacted] an intel analyst, getting help in getting out of the vehicle. [redacted] stated that there was a tourniquet on hand and that SHE was checking him for additional injuries. Mieska stated that [redacted] was complaining of having difficulty breathing.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] had severe facial injuries and that SHE checked him for additional injuries as well.

[redacted] stated that SHE saw the helicopters land and the injured were loaded into the helicopters. [redacted] said that SHE also saw [redacted] LNU, covered in blood and SHE helped him bandaged his arm.

[redacted] stated that SHE does not remember the team driving from the attack site. [redacted] stated that SHE remembers being in the MOF.

[redacted] stated that SHE heard gunfire at one point but stated that SHE does not remember who fired or where it was being fired upon. [redacted] further



states that SHE does remember someone saying that the team was receiving incoming small arms fire.

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stated that did not see an ambulance during the event.

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Interview with [redacted] BW, Bearcat driver.

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On 3-May-06 interviewing agent Roel Respecia interviewed [redacted] pertaining to the IED incident on 2-May-06.

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[redacted] stated that HE was the driver of the Command Vehicle, a Bearcat, during the incident. [redacted] described that the convoy was just passing through [redacted] when HE heard contact on the right side of the convoy.

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[redacted] stated that HE saw the Mamba behind HIS vehicle and it was apparent to HIM that the Mamba was down. [redacted] stated that HE backed HIS Bearcat close to the detonation site and then HE repositioned the Bearcat to face the down vehicle. [redacted] said that HE was trying to provide an evacuation route for the incapacitated vehicle.

[redacted] stated that HE then took control of communications per the team's Standard Operating Procedures. [redacted] reported the situation to the Tactical Operations Center. HE also stated that HE reported that the team was sending out gunfire to repel approaching vehicles from both sides of the road.

[redacted] stated that someone from the Command Vehicle engaged an ambulance that appeared through the smoke that was thrown by the team on both sides of the road. [redacted] explained that the ambulance was engaged because it was considered a threat. [redacted] added that for the last two years it has been standard Techniques, Tactics and Procedures for insurgents to use ambulances in subsequent attacks after an IED attack.

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TST - Mission Information Sheet



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TC MCI:			TL MCI:		
Primary Channel:	AGT 26	Sec. Channel:	DPDR	Mobile BFT No.:	NONE
Mission in Support of:	None		Mission Initial Start Point:	Patriot stage area	
Date Mission Received:	05/01/06		Time Mission Received:	1500	

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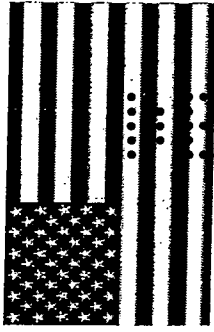
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Support Unit(s) Requested							
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# EFP attack on 02 May 2006



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# Intelligence

Significant Activity and  
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EFP Activity

◆ EFP 01 Apr -01 May

◇ EFP 02 May - 11 May



# Threat Warning

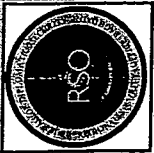
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# Statement of Events

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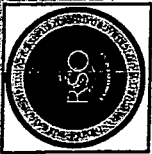
On 02 May 2006, [redacted] was struck by an EFP while en route to Ministry of Finance in support of [redacted] and [redacted] formation. b2

The [redacted] convoy was traveling in a [redacted] motorcade in [redacted] and into MO Finance; however b2  
[redacted] intended to shadow [redacted] by crossing bridge [redacted] through [redacted] and into MO Finance; however b2  
heavy gridlock at Bridge [redacted] forced the convoy to backtrack and head south to Bridge [redacted] After crossing Bridge [redacted] made a b2  
left turn at [redacted] towards [redacted] in order to resume their original route. Upon reaching [redacted] made a right turn back onto b2  
RTE [redacted] b2

Approximately 225m after [redacted] an EFP detonated, striking the [redacted] vehicle in the convoy. The driver b2  
suffered an amputation of his right hand, the TC received severe facial injuries and both gunners received shrapnel wounds. b2  
The Follow driver was able to remain in some control of the vehicle before veering off of the road approximately 60m from b2  
the point of impact. The acting TC gave the order to push through the contact but upon realizing the Follow vehicle was hit b2  
and disabled, the convoy was ordered to turn around. b2

The [redacted] vehicle reversed [redacted] b2  
0'clock. The [redacted] vehicle made a [redacted] vehicle also executed a [redacted] b2  
the disabled vehicle. The [redacted] vehicle also executed a [redacted] The gunners b2  
positioned the turrets to form a defensive 360 while fire team members deployed to provide additional perimeter security to b2  
include stopping traffic and throwing smoke. During this time, despite his own injuries, the [redacted] lead gunner administered b2  
life saving aid to the severely injured driver. b2

After establishing there were no secondary devices in the vicinity, personnel from [redacted] b2  
extracted the two most severely wounded and moved them to the [redacted]. One non-wounded person was moved to the b2  
Command vehicle and the two wounded gunners remained with the disabled Mamba. The lead gunner attempted to self b2  
recover the vehicle and moved it forward approx 15m but was unable to get the vehicle out of the ditch. The assistant team b2  
leader, acting TC and wounded gunners removed or destroyed sensitive items while the team leader established an LZ for b2  
the inbound Little Birds. b2



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While waiting for the Little birds, a local ambulance broke through stopped traffic north of the median, traveling westbound. Despite signals from the perimeter guards to stop, the ambulance broke through the smoke screen and continued at a high rate of speed. At least one gunner fired into the grille and left tire with no response from the ambulance driver. At this time, in accordance with Department of State force protection standards, three gunners neutralized the threat. Four team members reported seeing the driver and passenger flee from the ambulance.

Approximately 10 minutes after request for assistance, two Little Birds evacuated the two most severely wounded personnel from the blast site and transported them to the 10<sup>th</sup> CSH located in the International Zone. After all sensitive items were transferred or destroyed, the remaining vehicles transported the two wounded gunners to Ministry of Finance for Air Evac to 10<sup>th</sup> CSH.

At MO Finance, into their convoy and returned back to with Little Bird escort. crossed back into the International Zone at 1007, approximately 1 hour from time of detonation.



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# Maps and Routes

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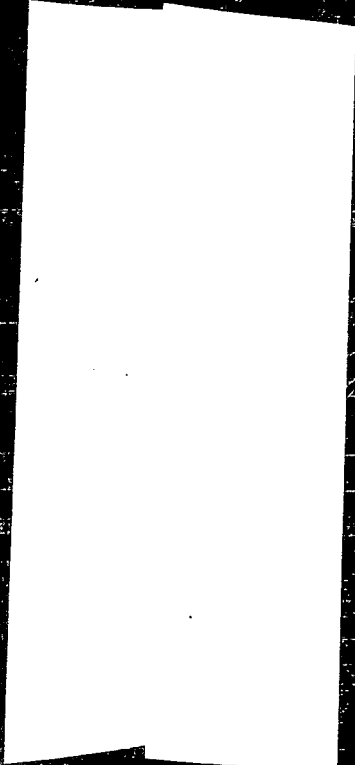
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Civilian traffic on right of Command Vehicle

225 m

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• The driver was able to remain in some control of the vehicle before veering off of the road approximately 60m from the point of impact.

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•After establishing there were no secondary devices in the immediate vicinity, personnel from Command, Lead and ERV extracted the 2 most severely wounded from the Follow and moved them to the ERV.

•One non-wounded person was moved to the Command vehicle, and the two wounded gunners remained with the disabled Mamba.

•The lead gunner attempted to self recover the vehicle and moved it forward approximately 15m but was unable to get the vehicle out of the ditch.

•The assistant team leader, acting TC and wounded gunners removed or destroyed sensitive items while the team leader established an LZ for the inbound Little Birds.



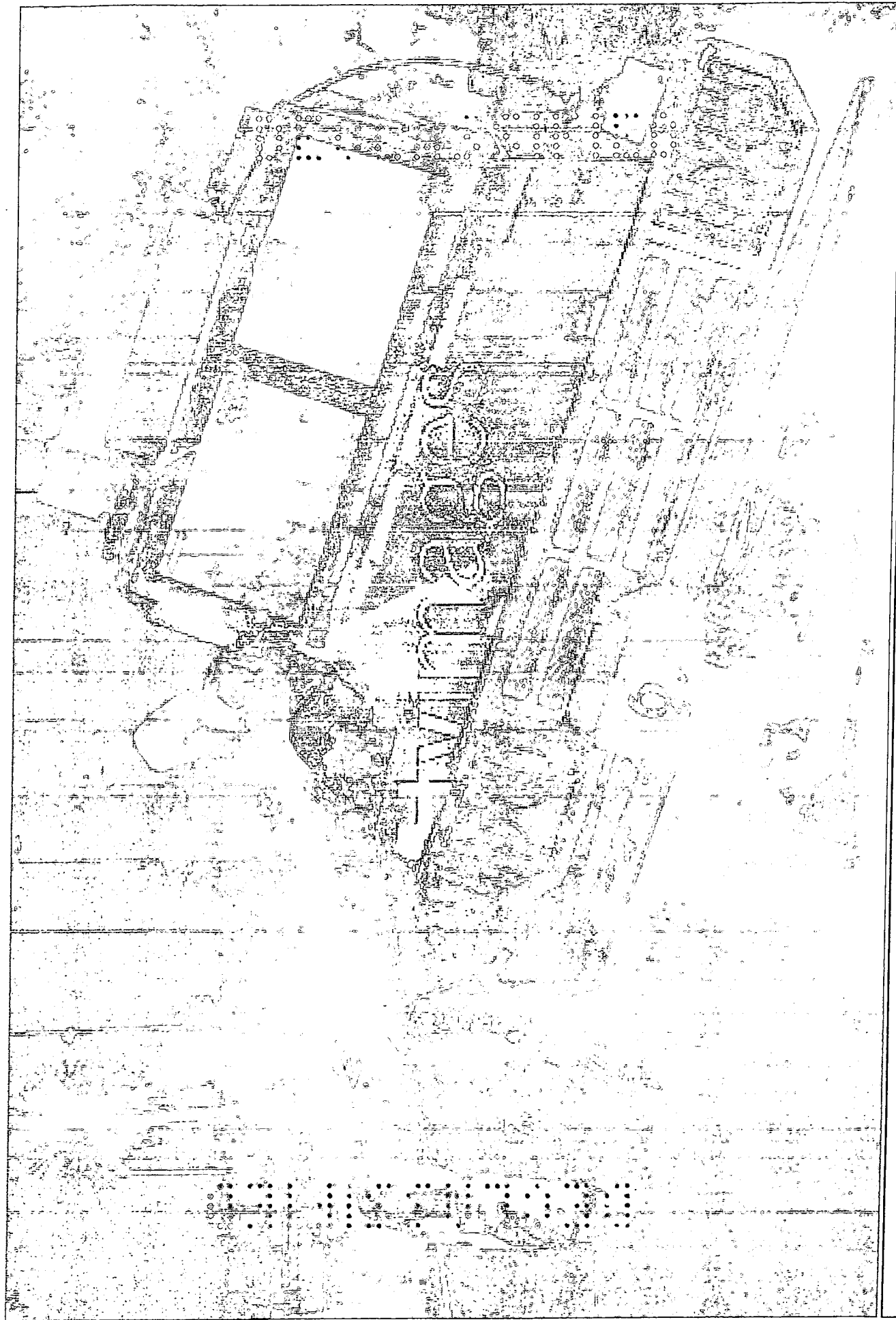


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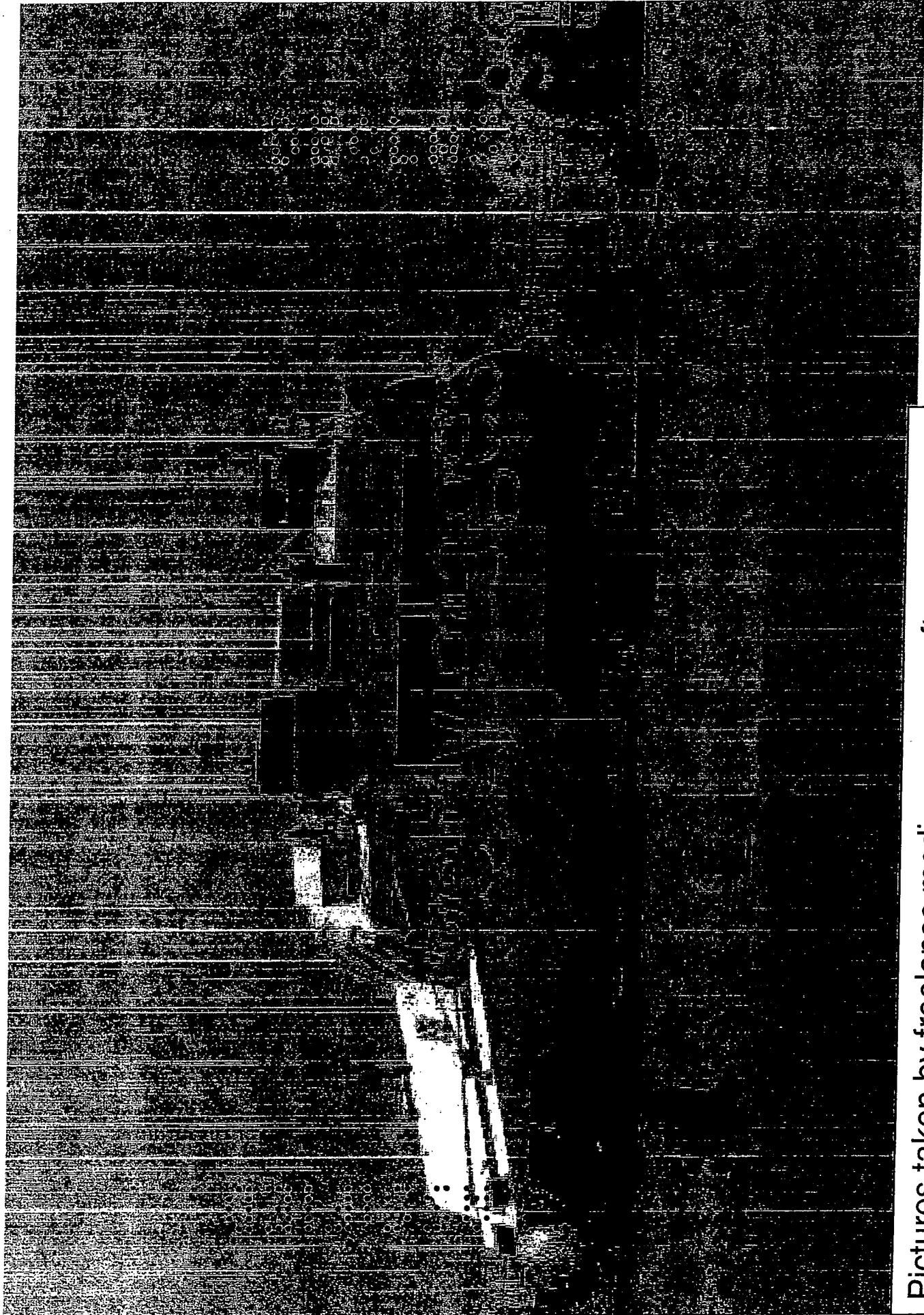
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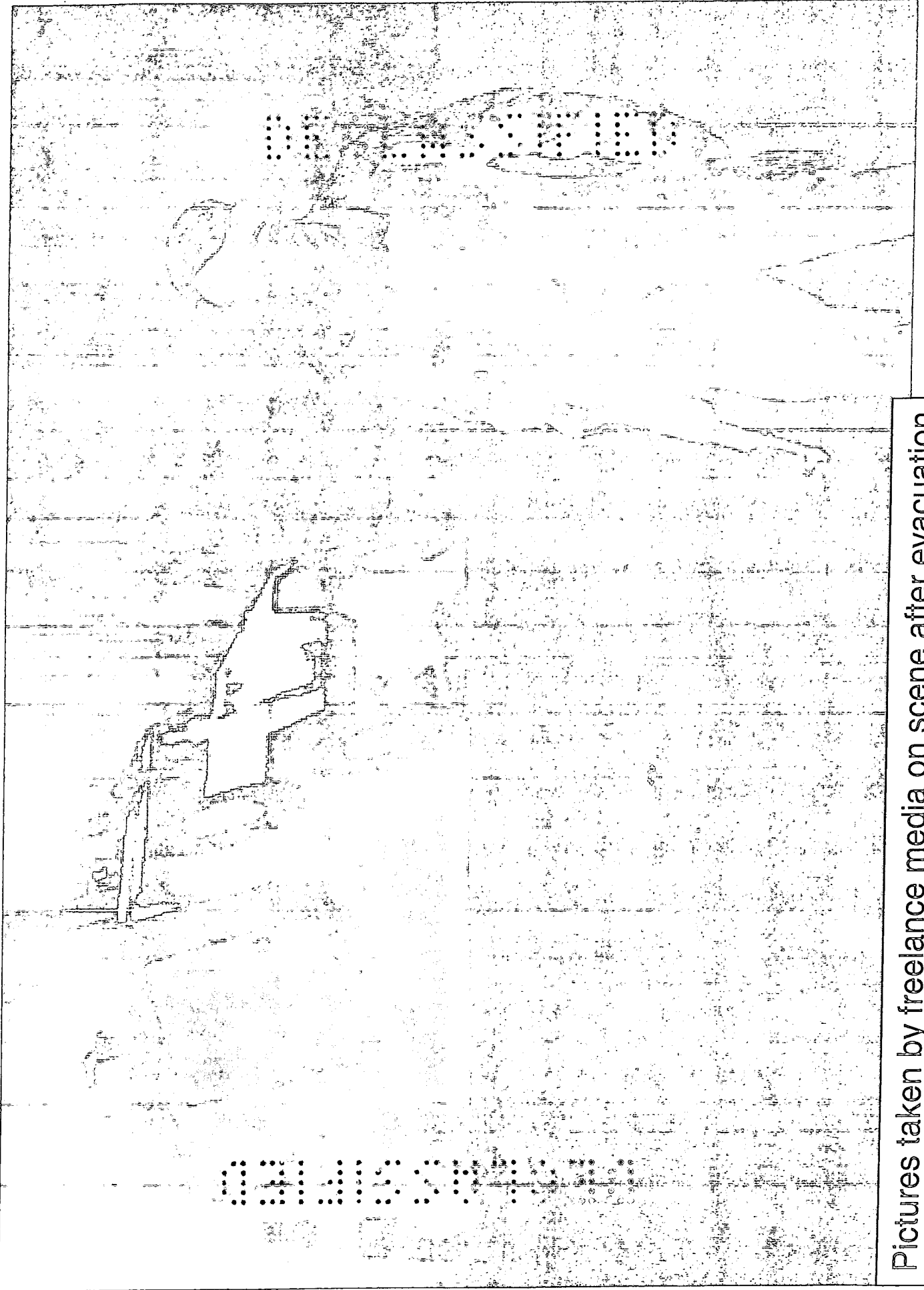




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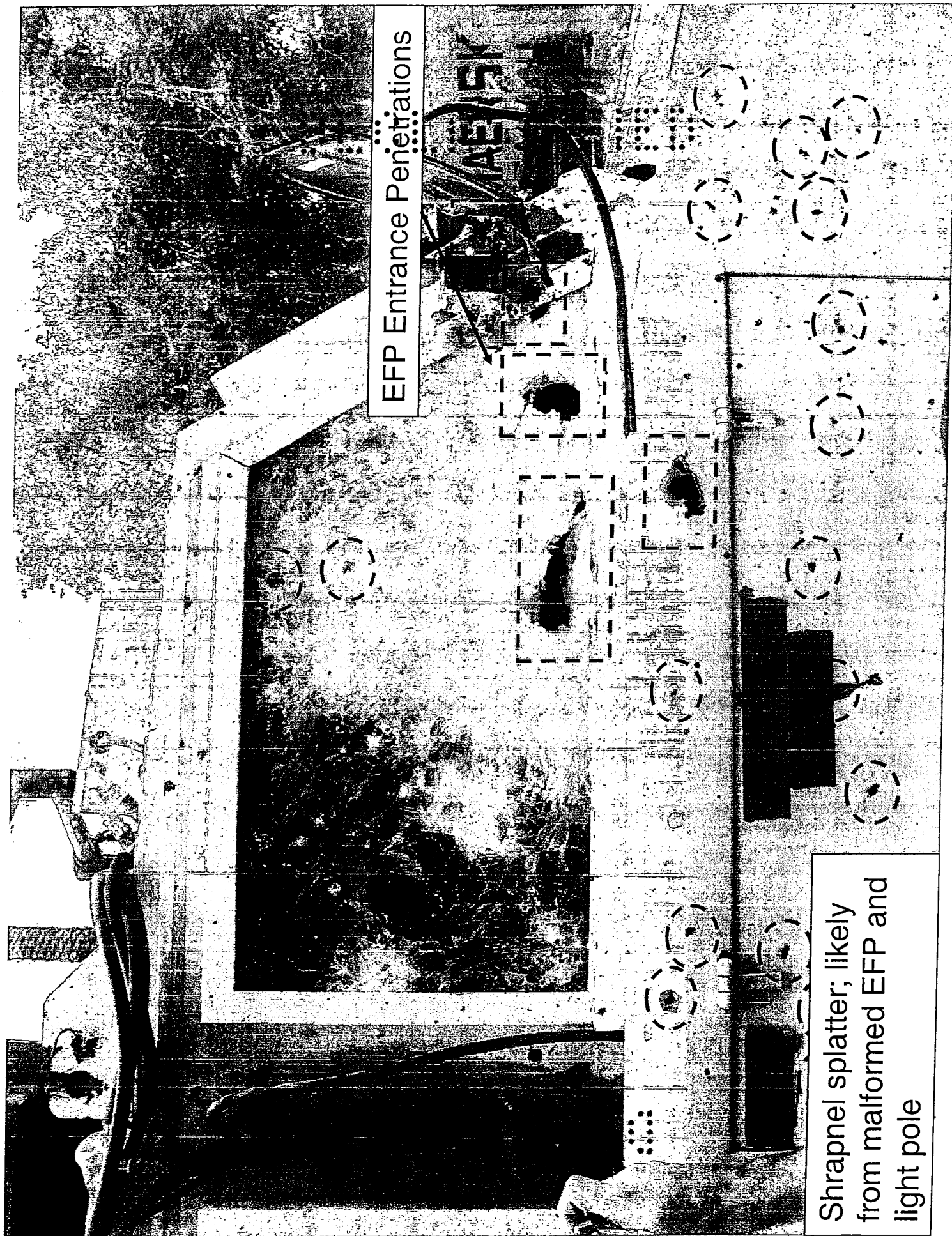
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AFP Entrance Penetrations

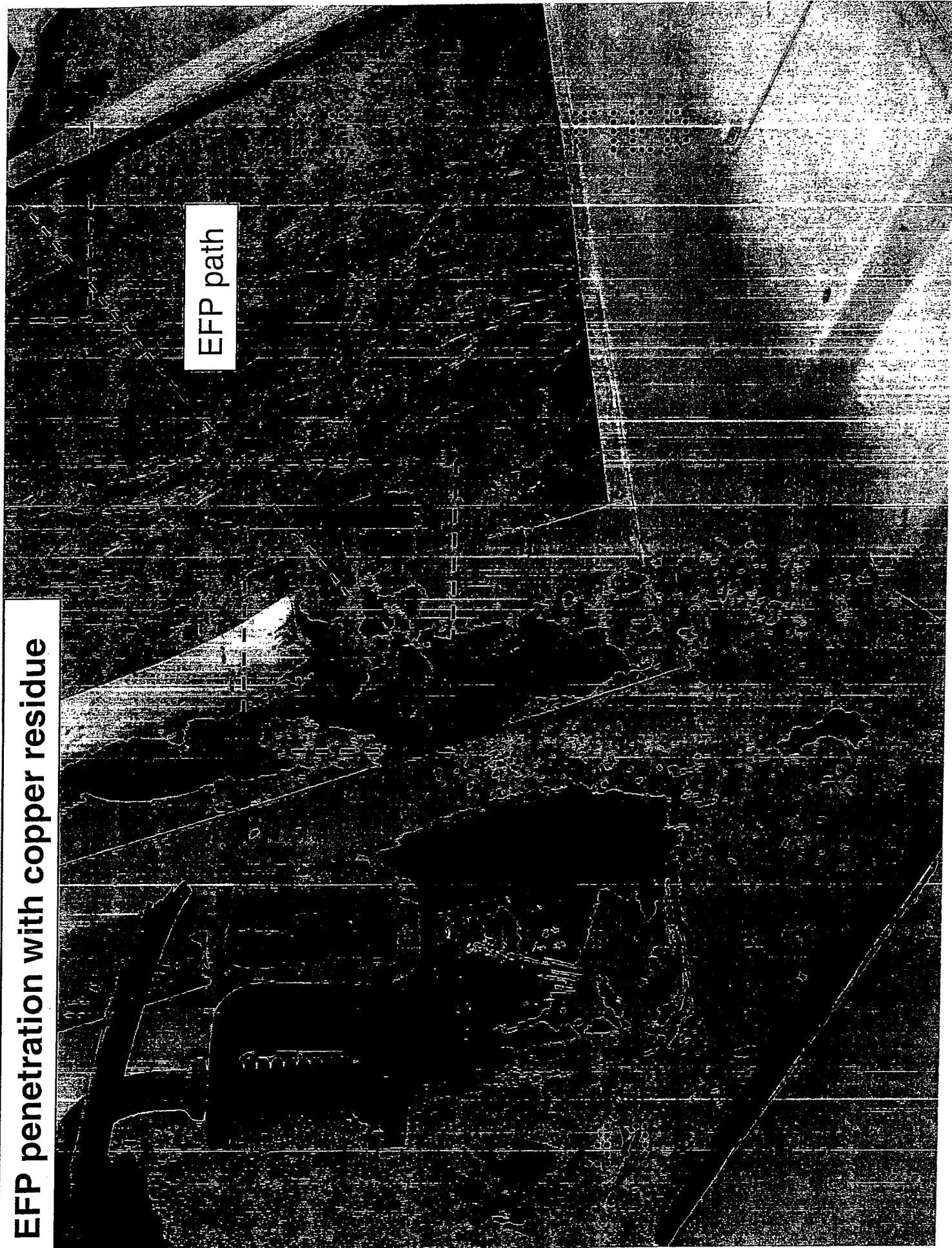
Shrapnel splatter; likely  
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light pole





EFP penetration with copper residue

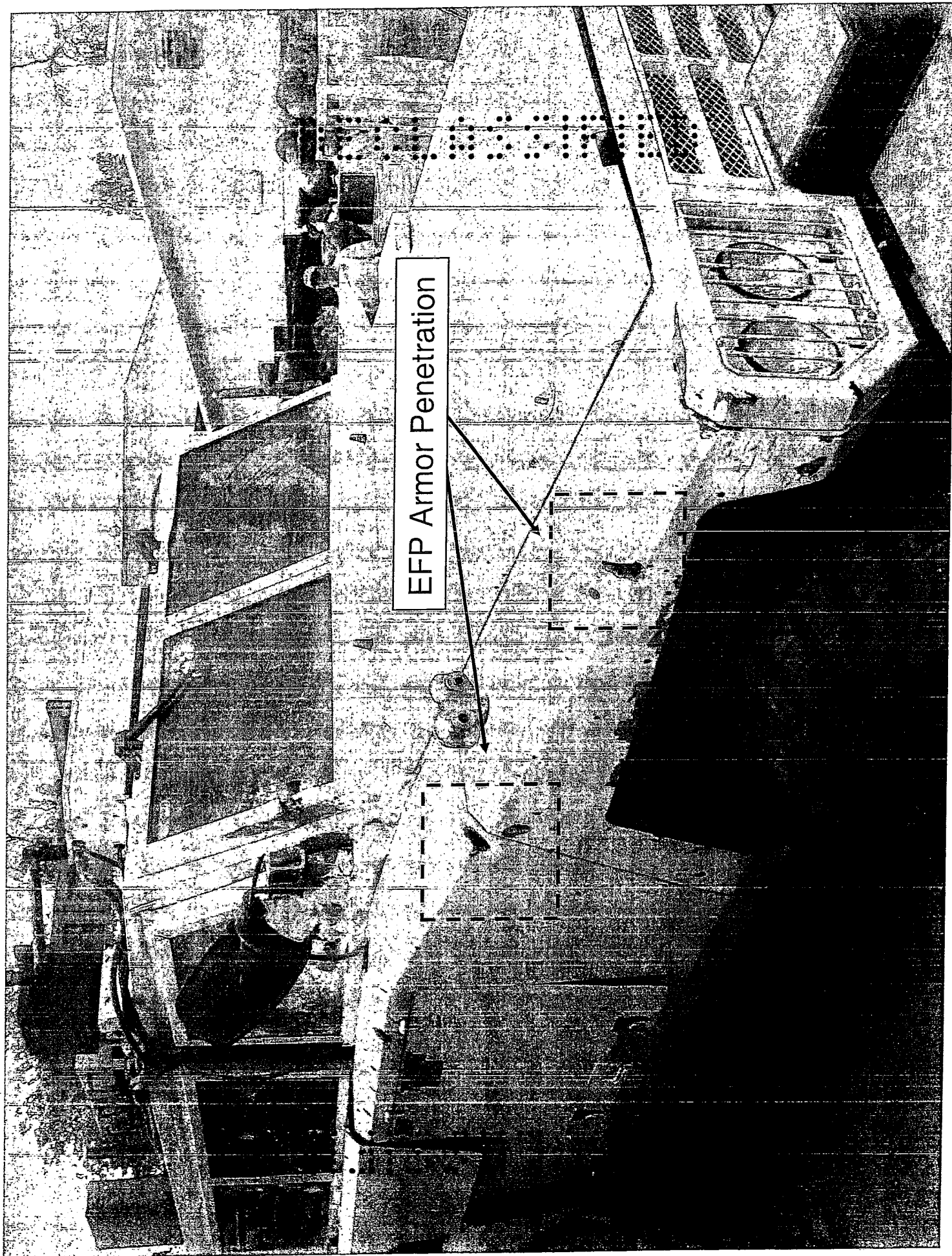
EFP path





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EFP Armor Penetration

**FFP Entrance hole (interior view)**

Burned glass

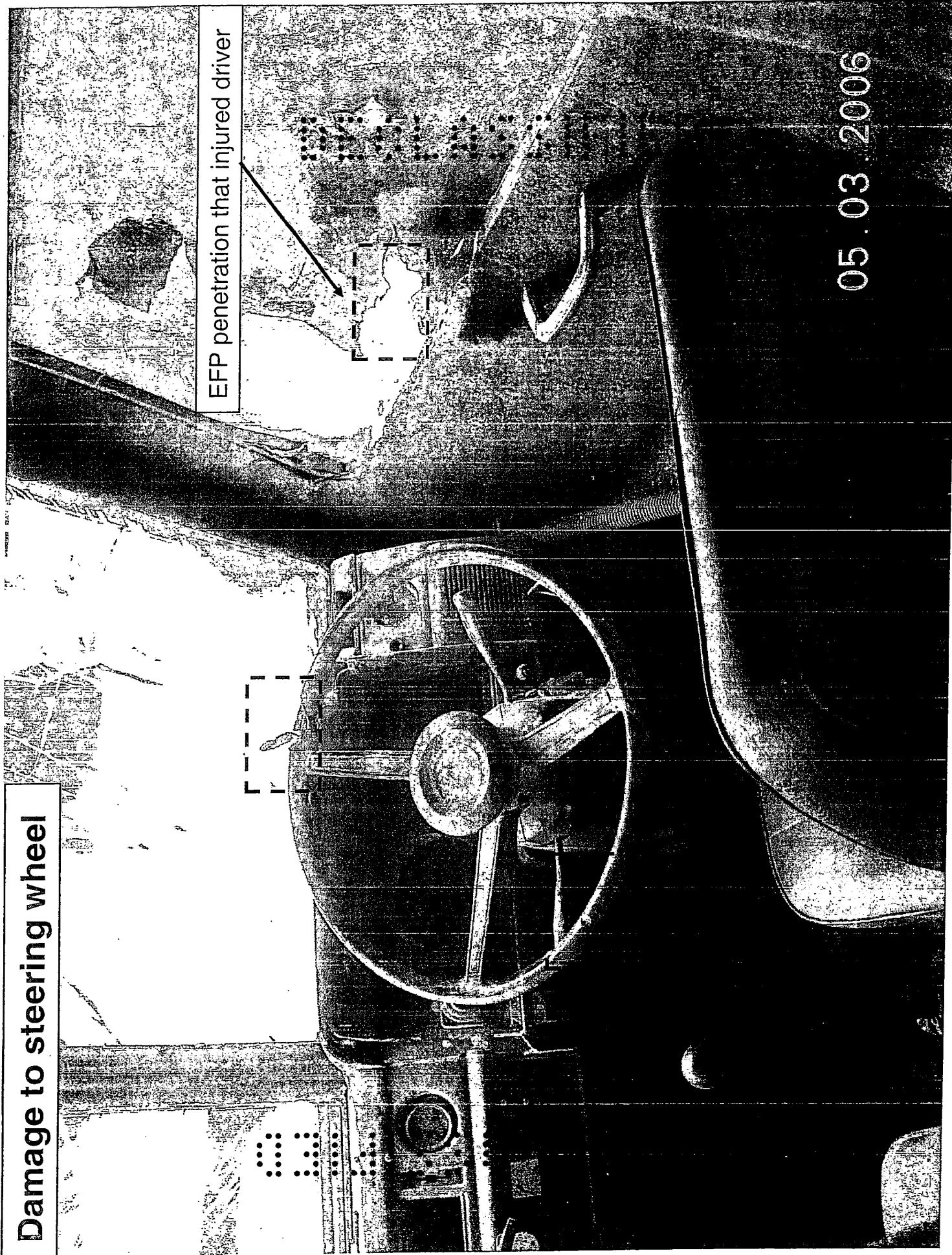




**Damage to steering wheel**

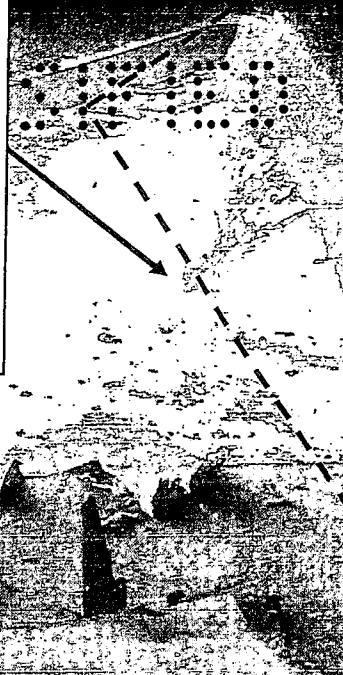
**EFP penetration that injured driver**

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EFP Exit hole (interior view)

Pulverized glass powder



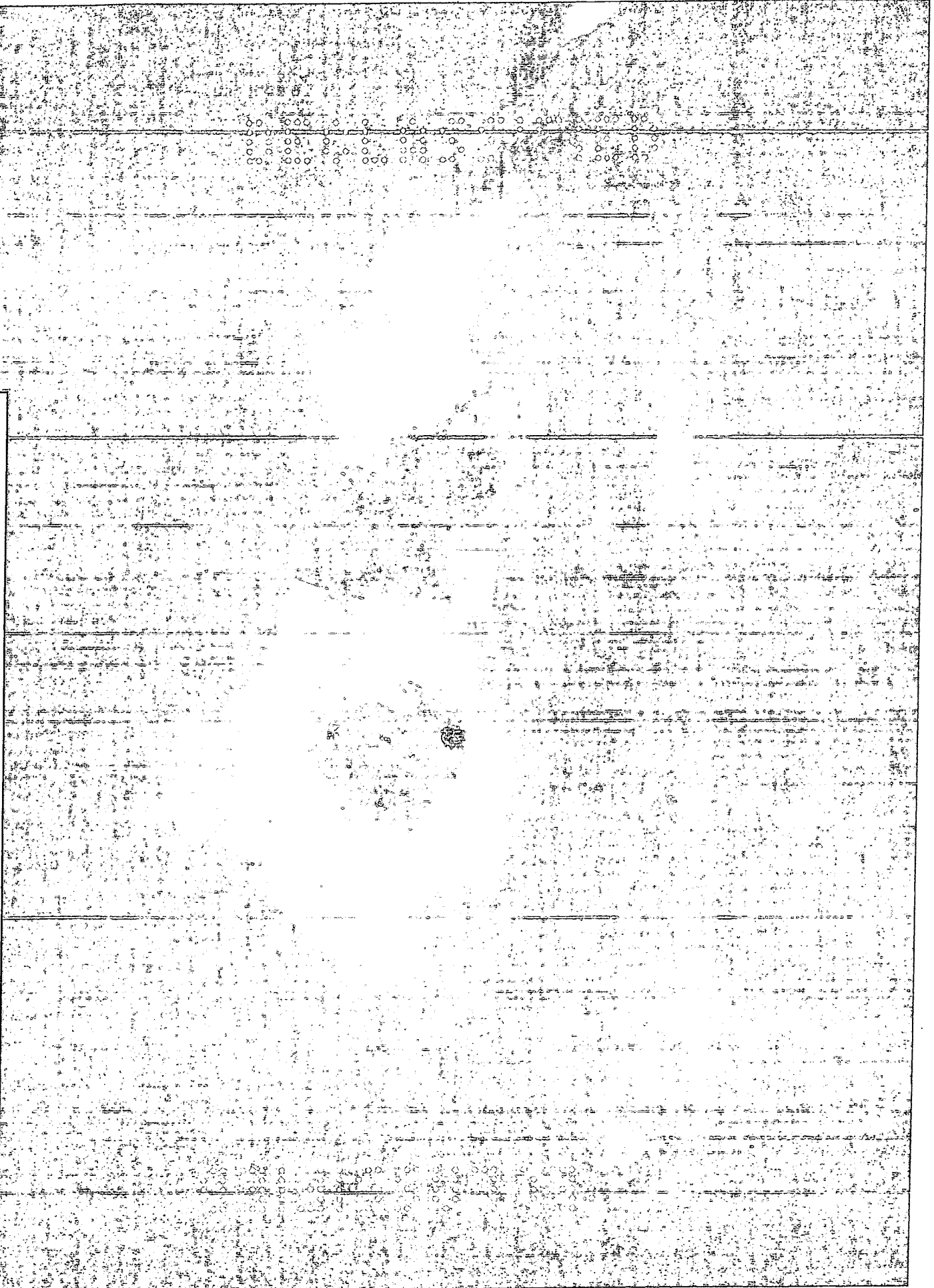
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EFP Exit holes (exterior view)





FFP Entrance and Exit holes (exterior and interior)



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EFB burns, interior ceiling, passenger compartment

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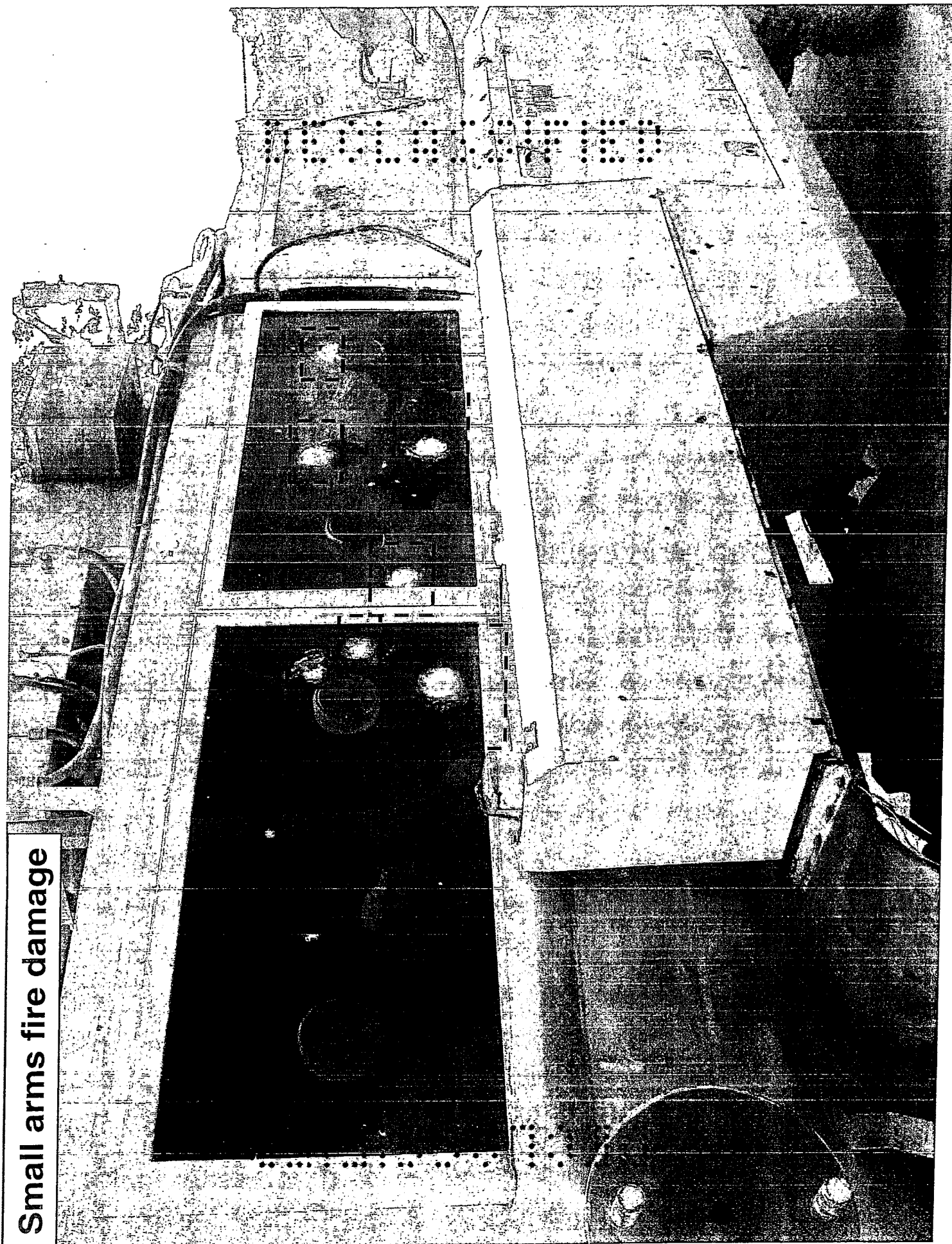
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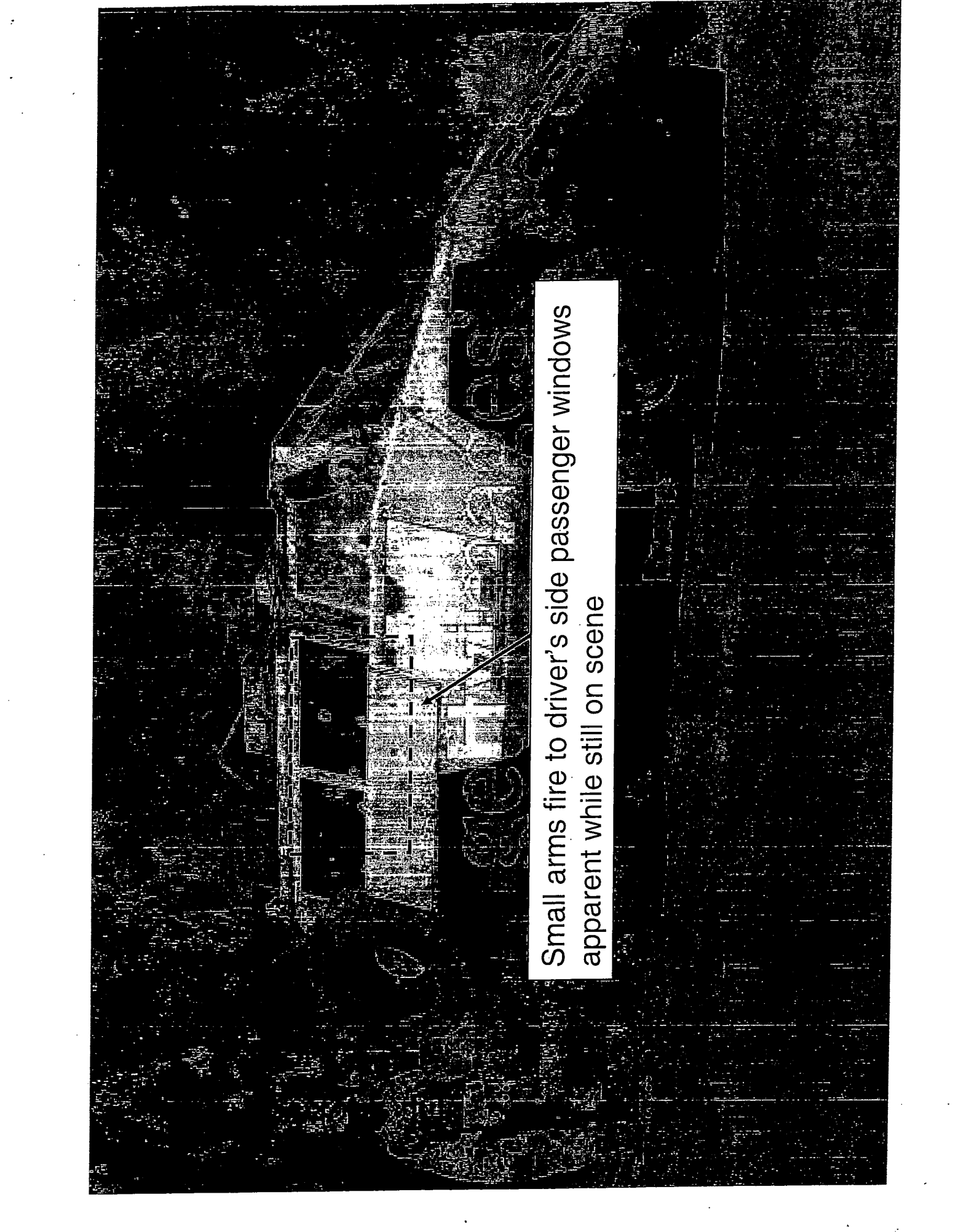
EFP burns interior ceiling

Holed burned through roof

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Small arms fire damage

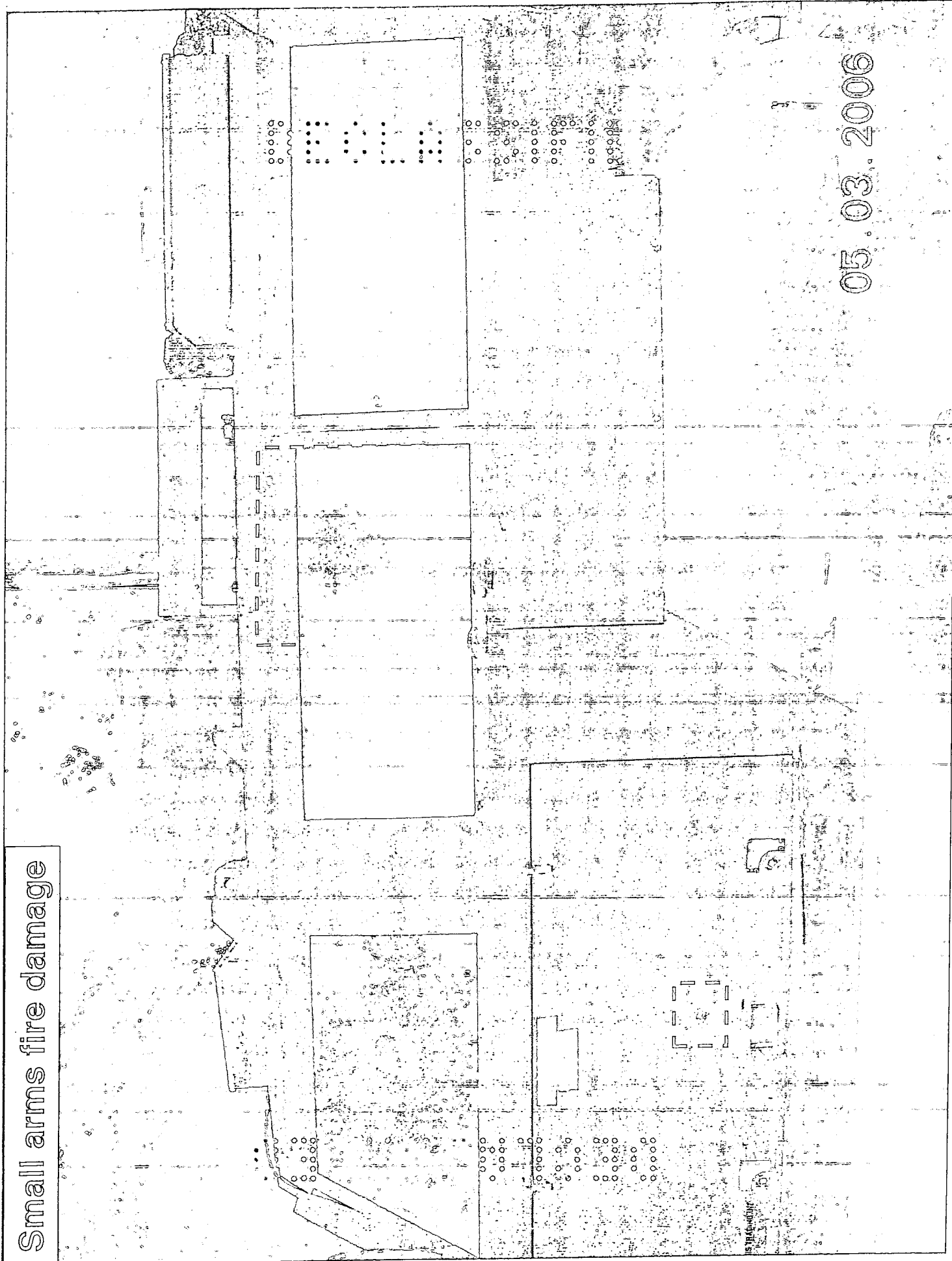




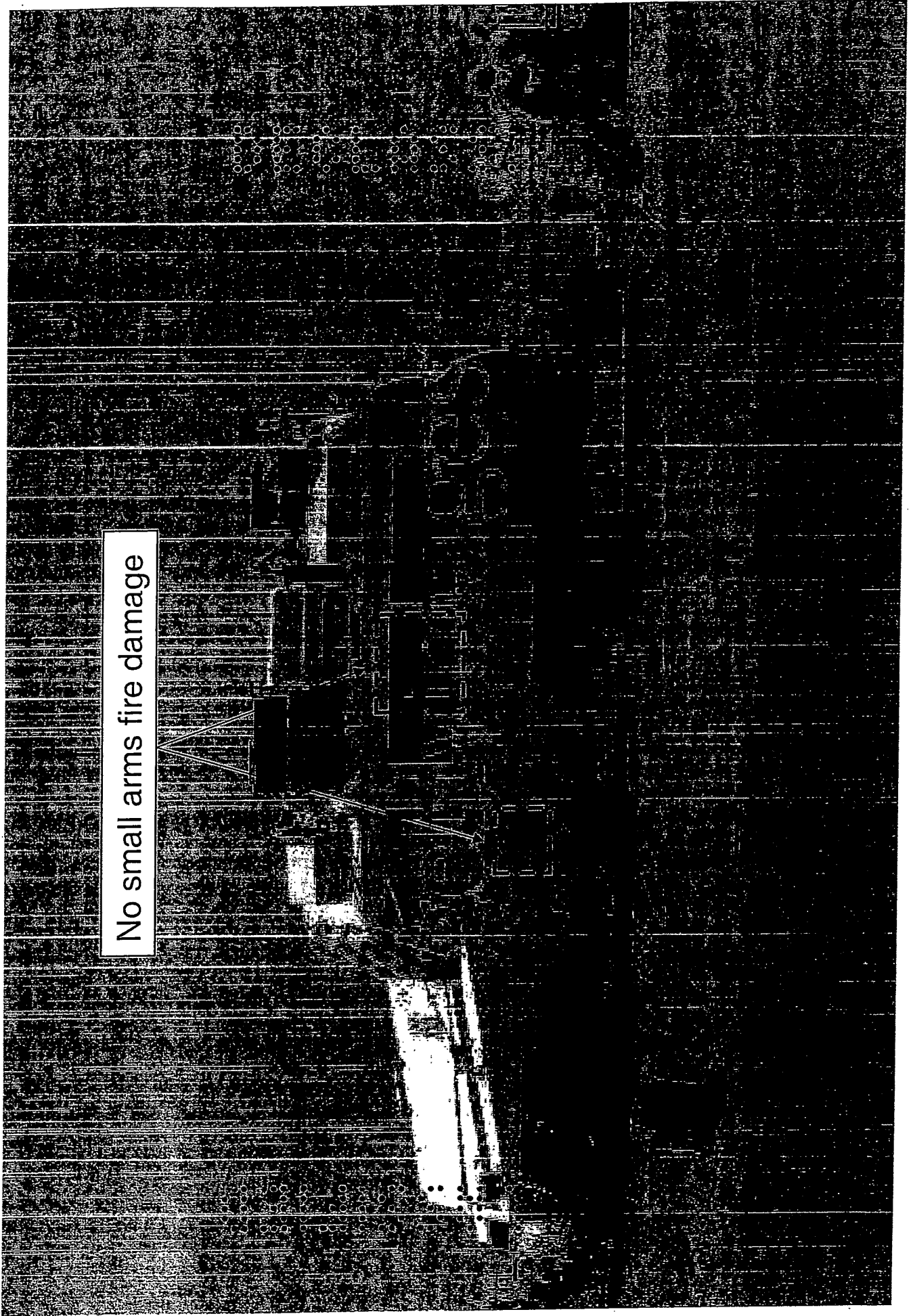
Small arms fire to driver's side passenger windows  
apparent while still on scene

Small arms fire damage

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No small arms fire damage







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# Blast Site



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British Cemetery

Blast Seat

Direction of Travel

Abandoned Mamba



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# Scenarios

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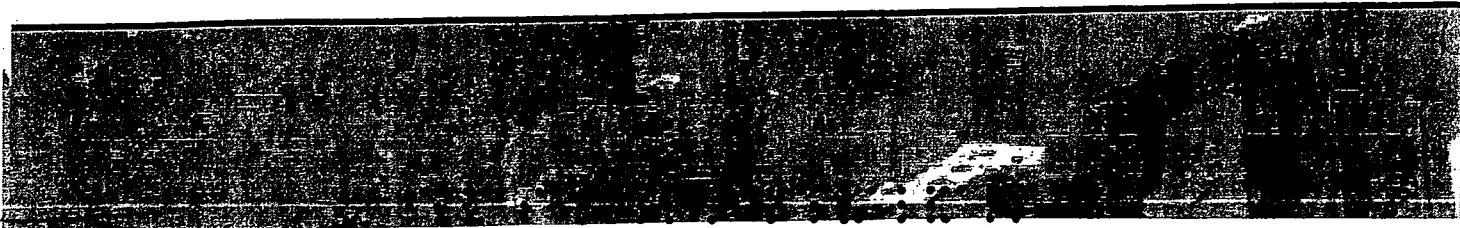
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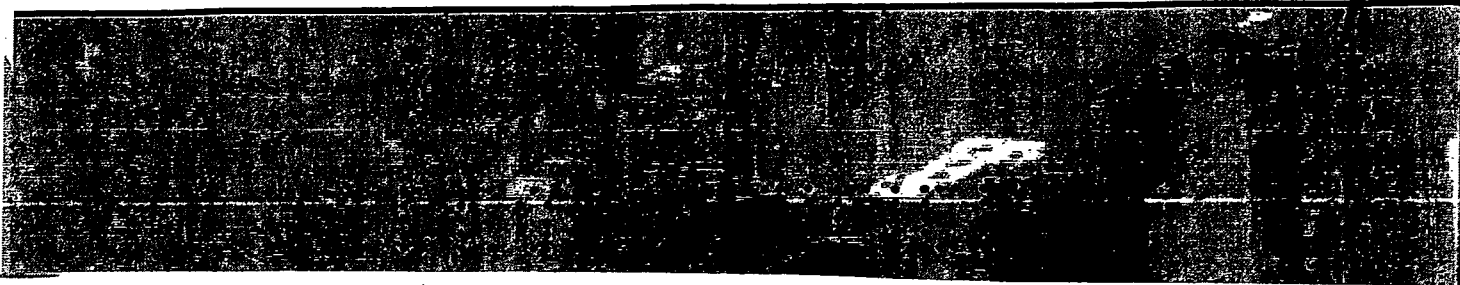
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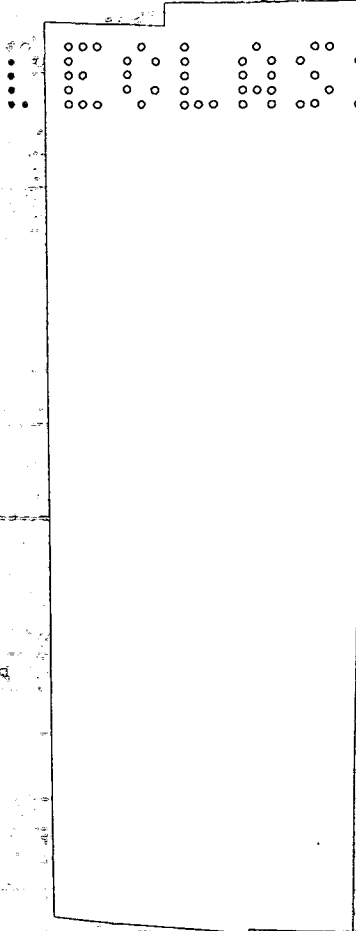
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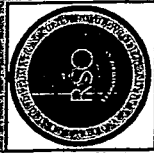


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# Analysis

Conclusion and  
Lessons Learned

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# Analysis- Conclusion

**EOD analysis:** 2 EOD teams inspected the vehicle and blast seat photography. Both teams independently concluded the device was a [redacted] b2

[redacted] Damage to passenger windows was caused by small-arms fire and not by shrapnel.

**RS&C analysis:**

[redacted] b2

[redacted] b2

# Analysis- Lessons Learned



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Glasses worn by TC shrapnel deflected off of lens, but is not a wrap around style

SIZE LARGE

STRIKE FACE

HANDLE WITH CARE



# CONCLUSION

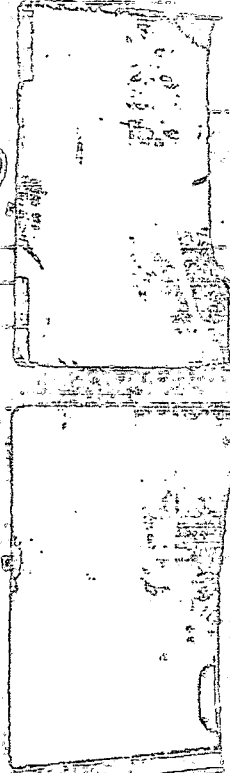
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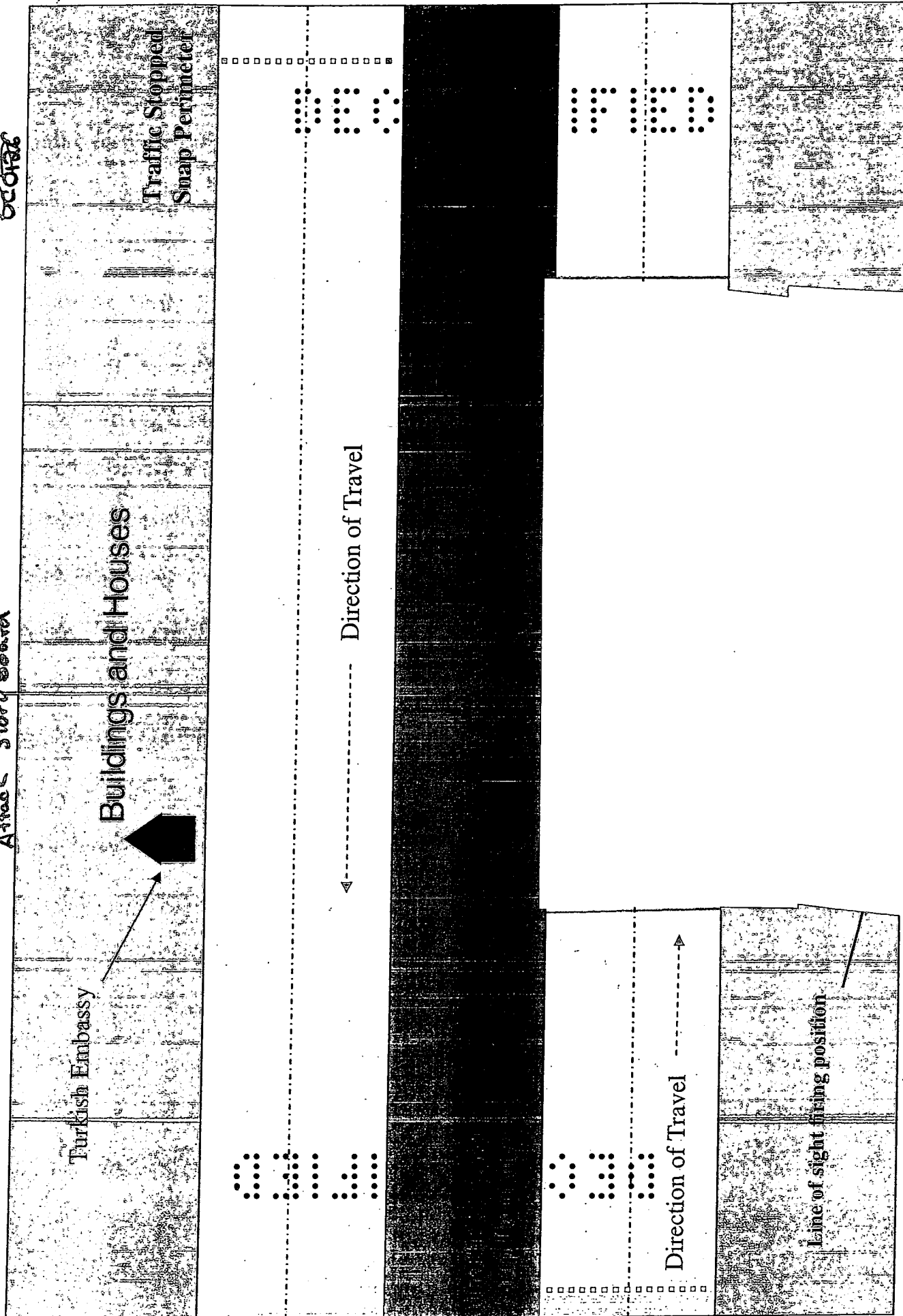
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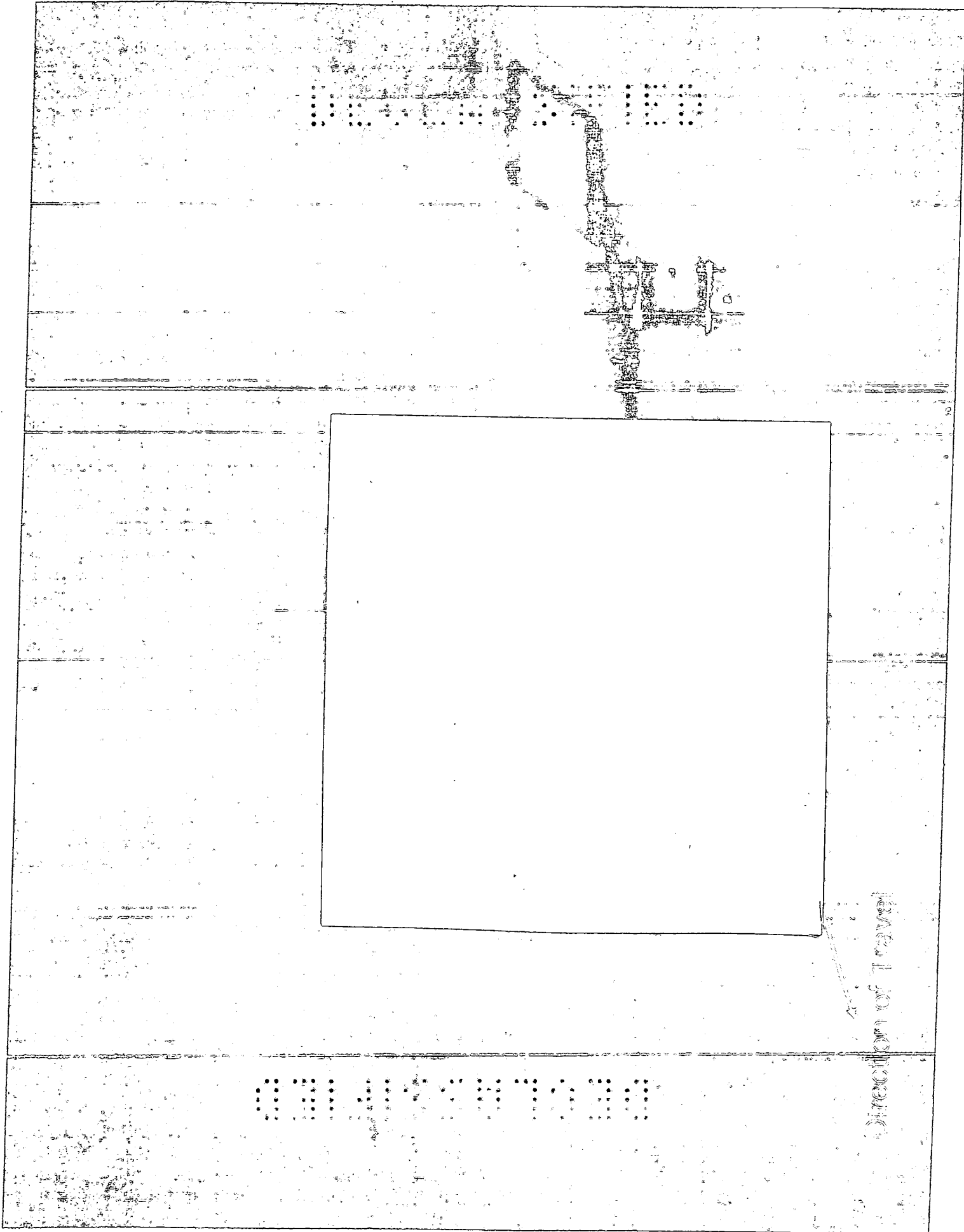


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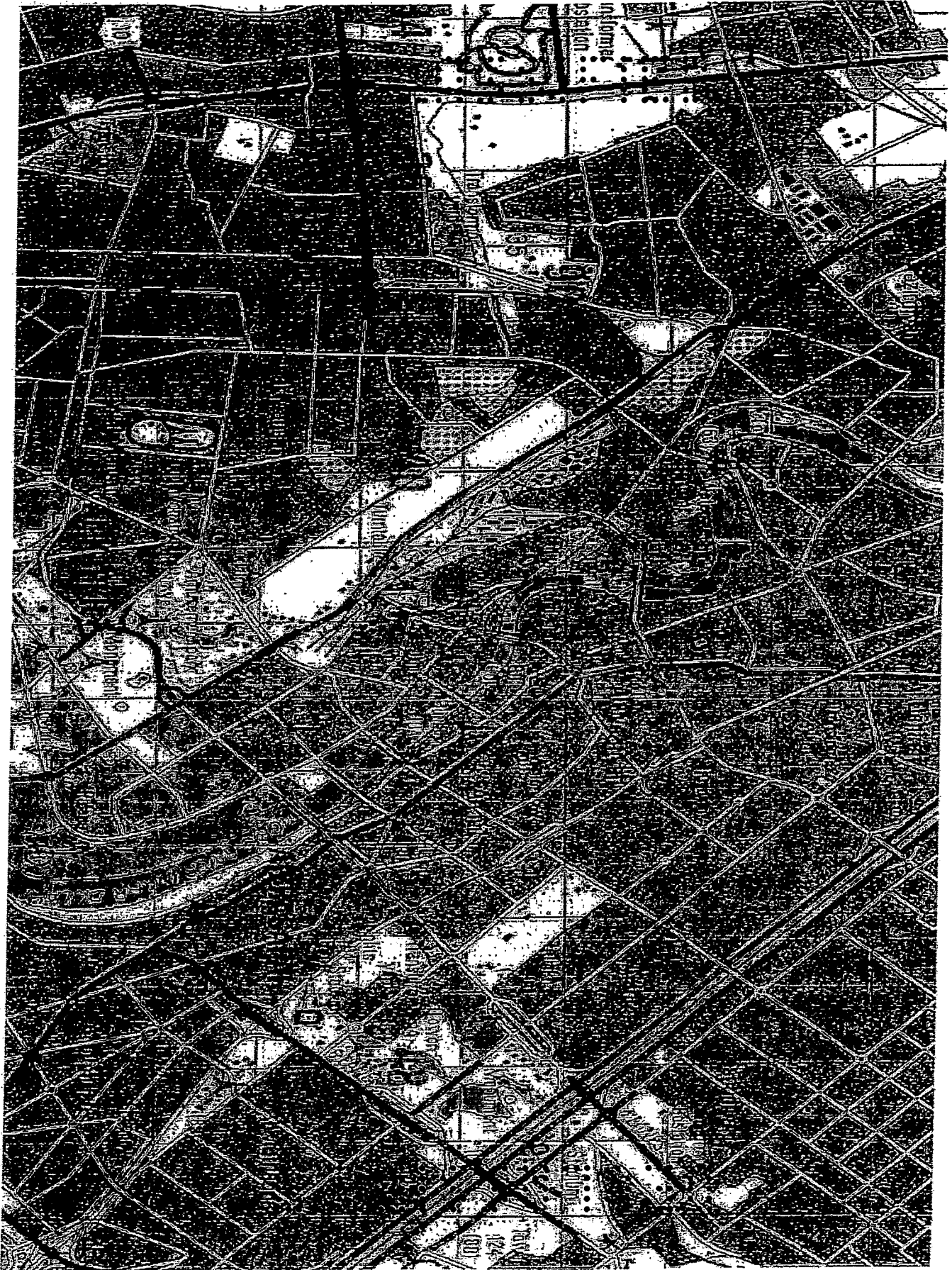
Pics of the Mamba taken from AP Press/Freelancers on the ground. There are three sets throughout this page, so scroll all the way down to see the mamba, and also the ambulance.

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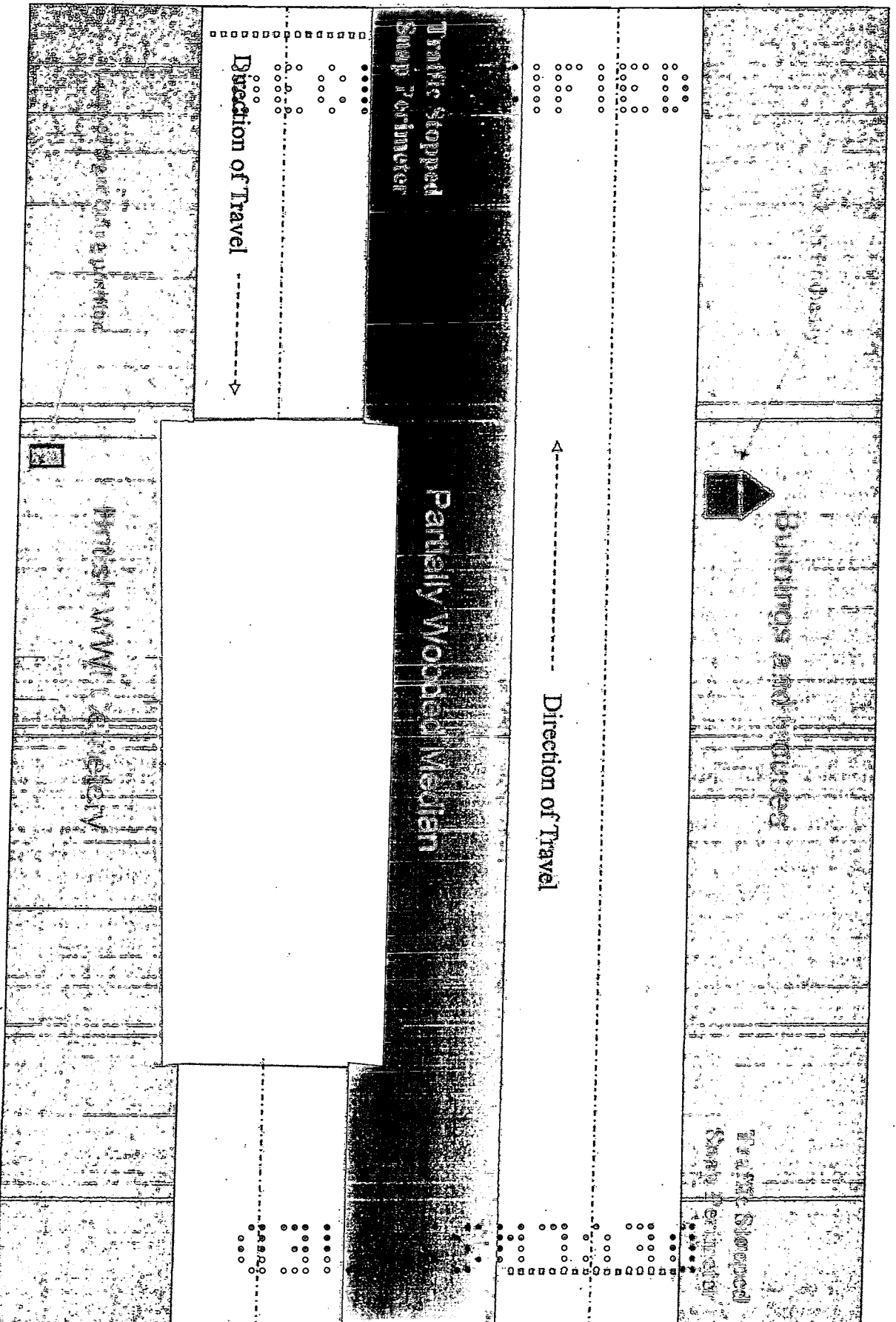
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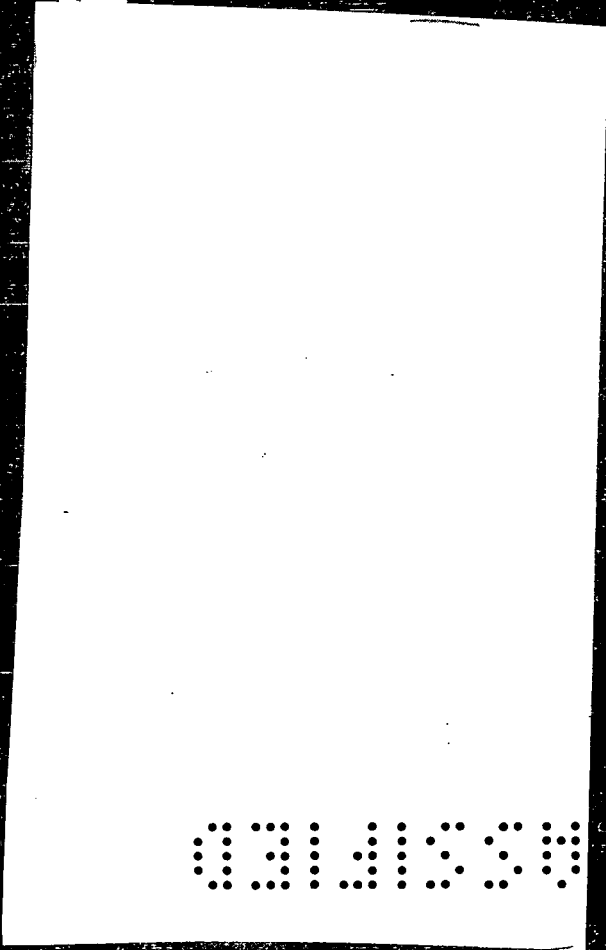


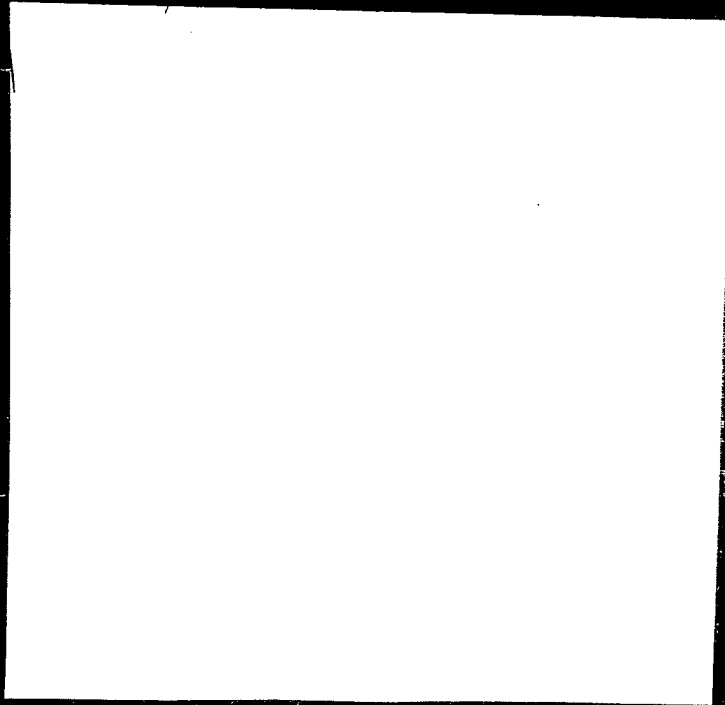
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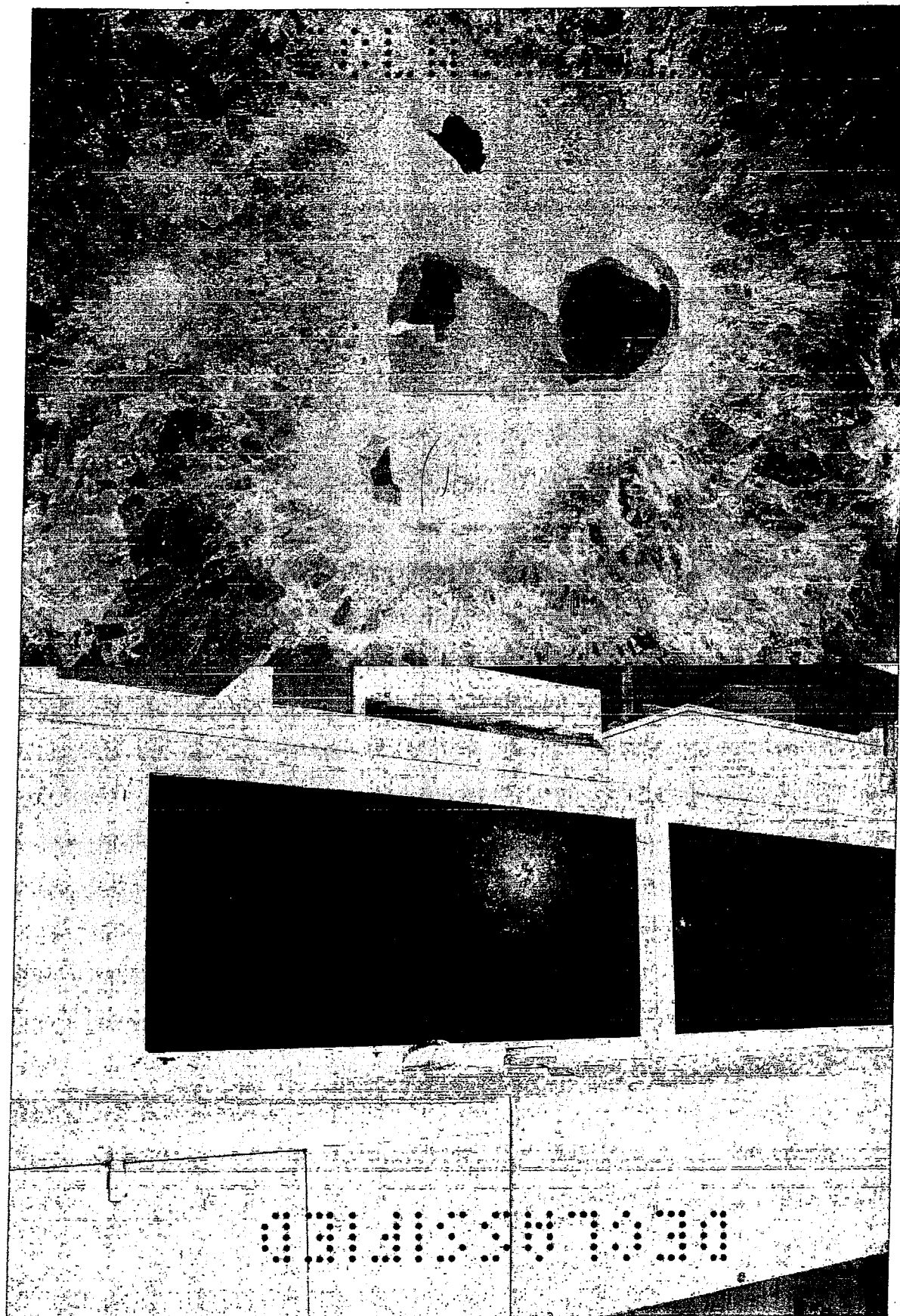
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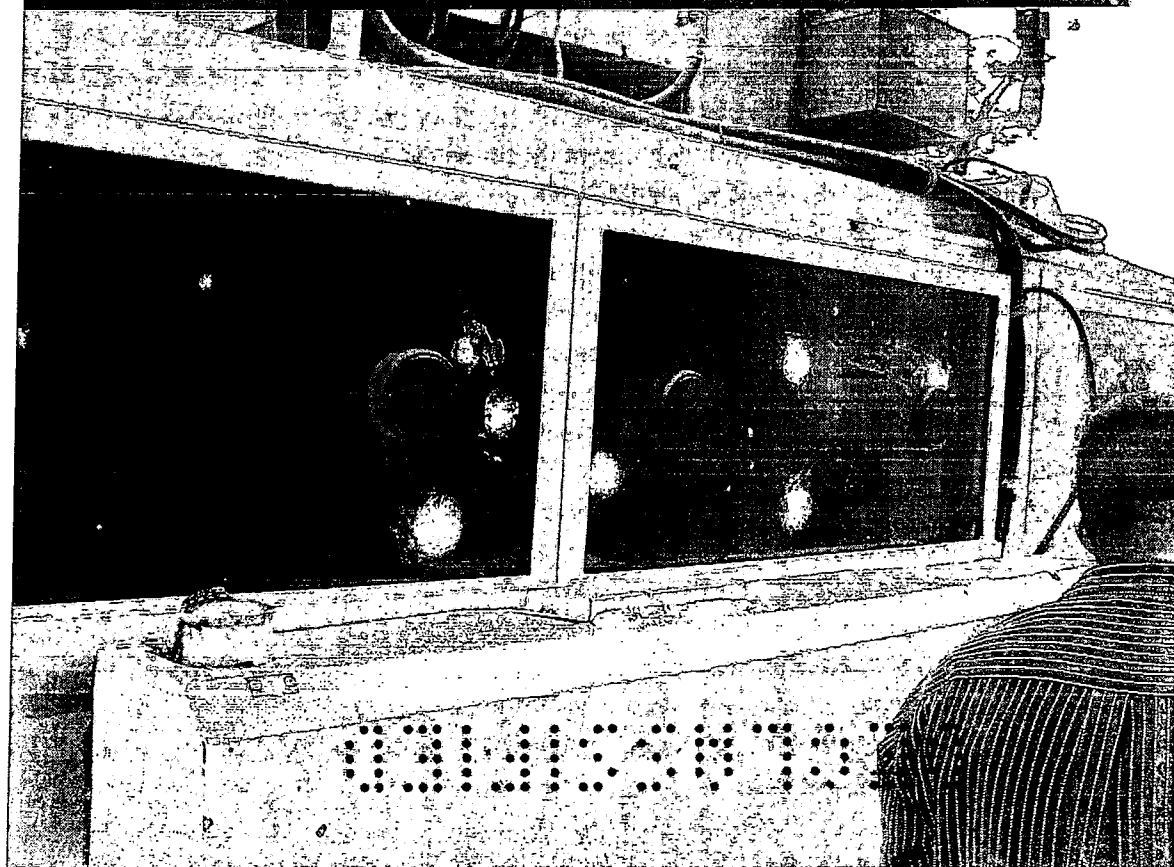
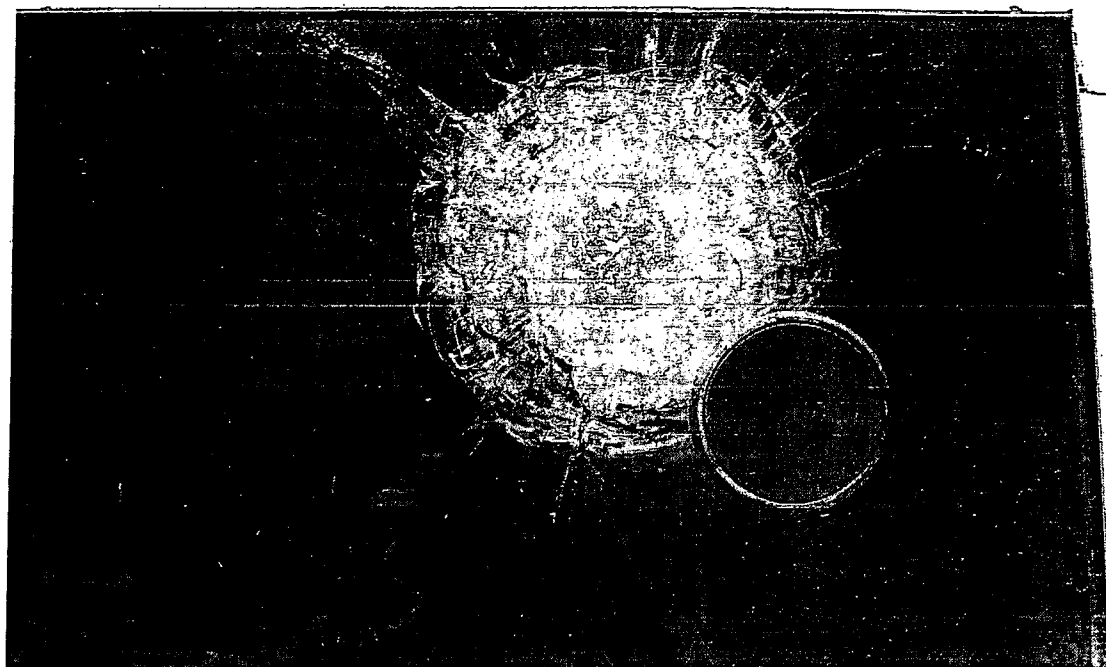






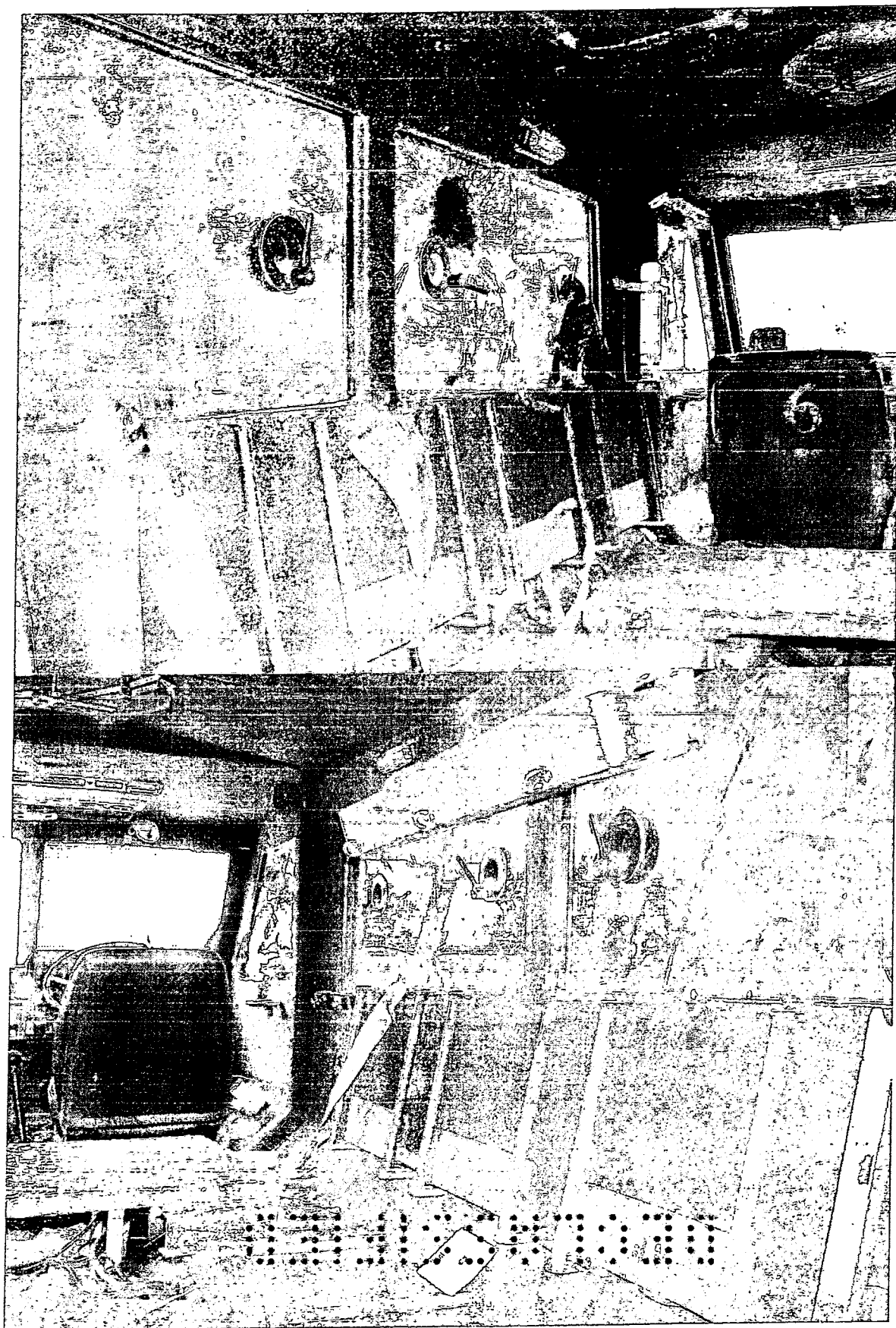


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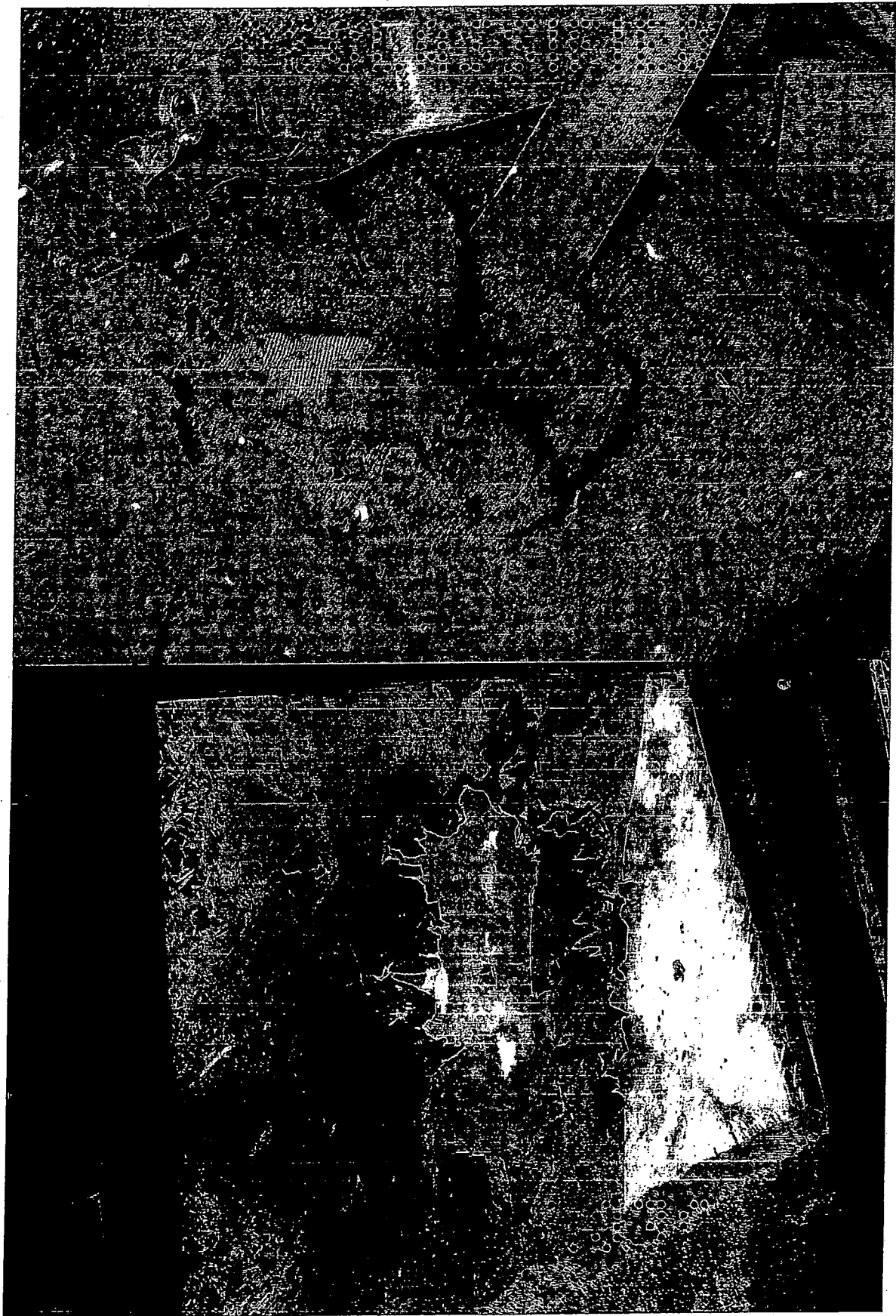


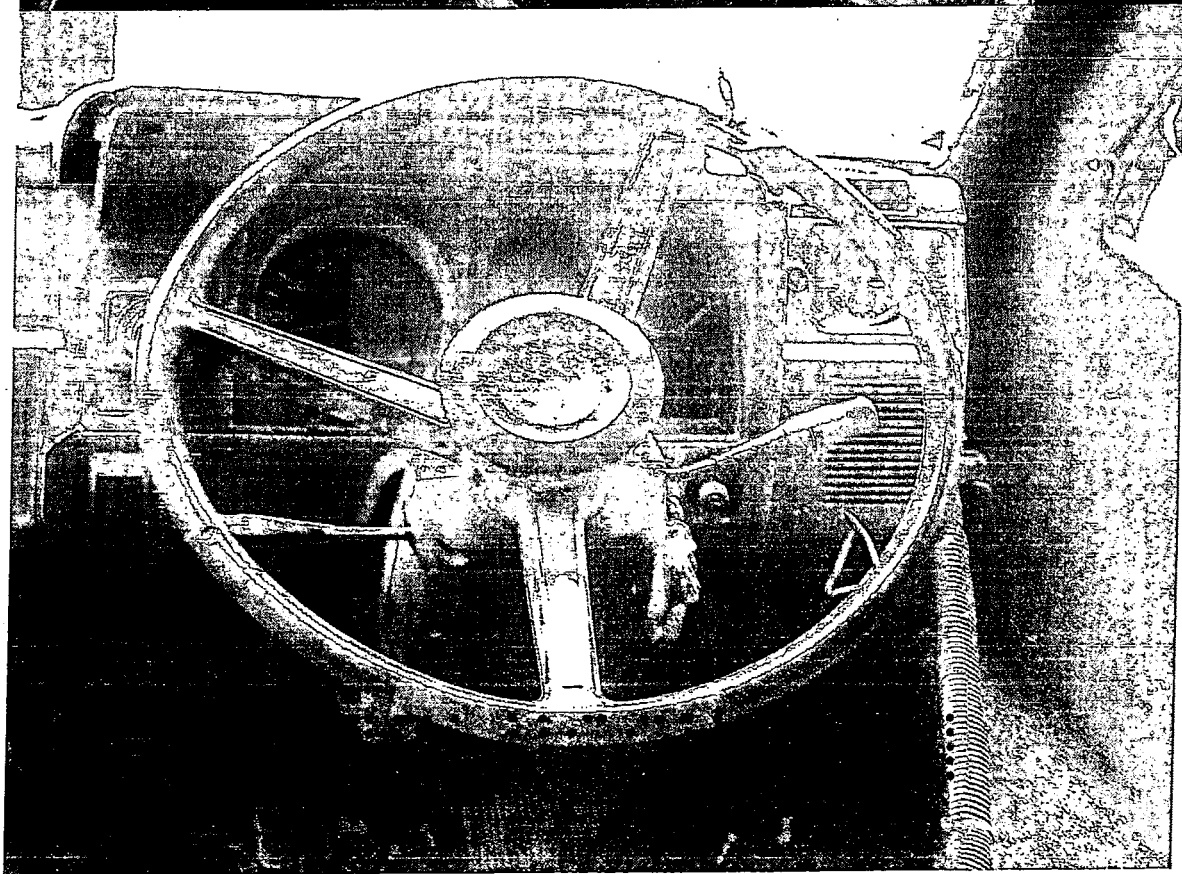
















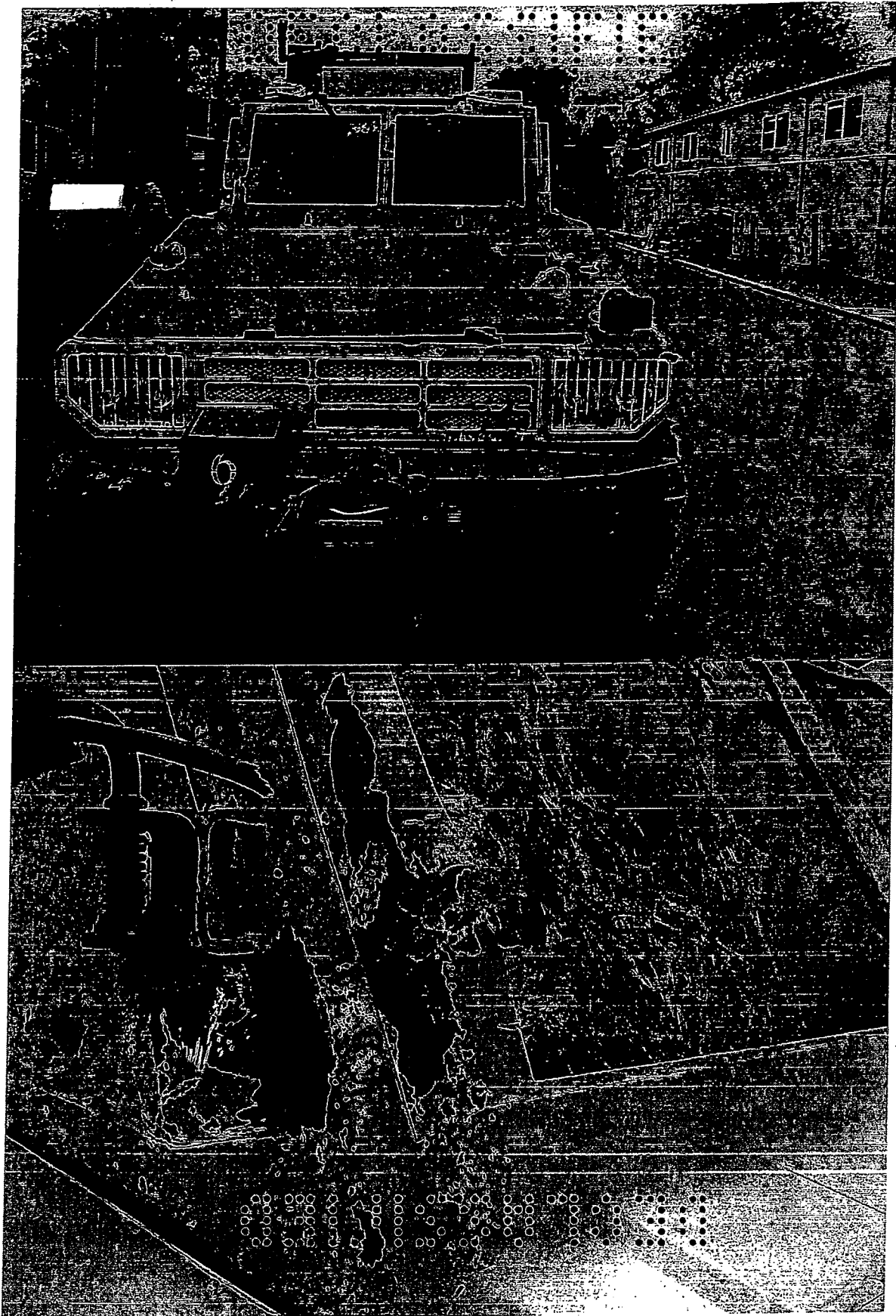
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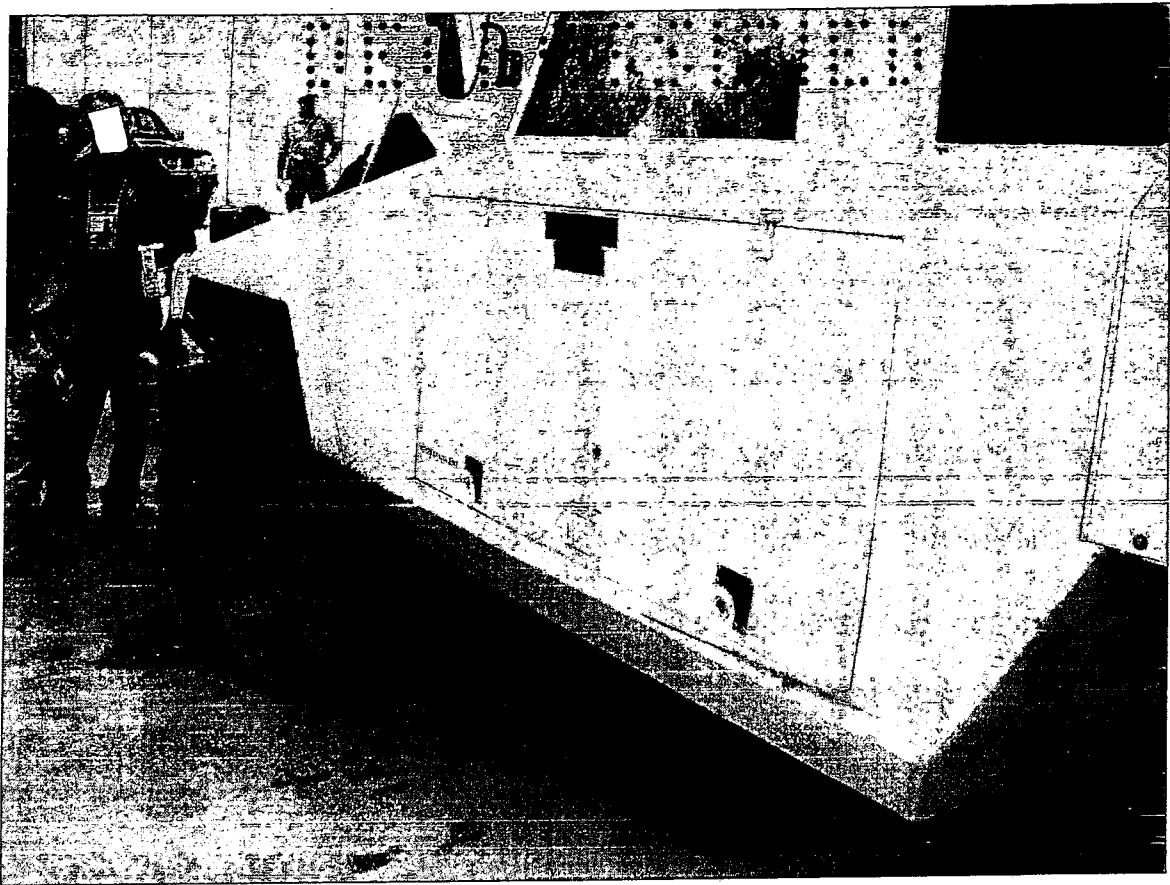


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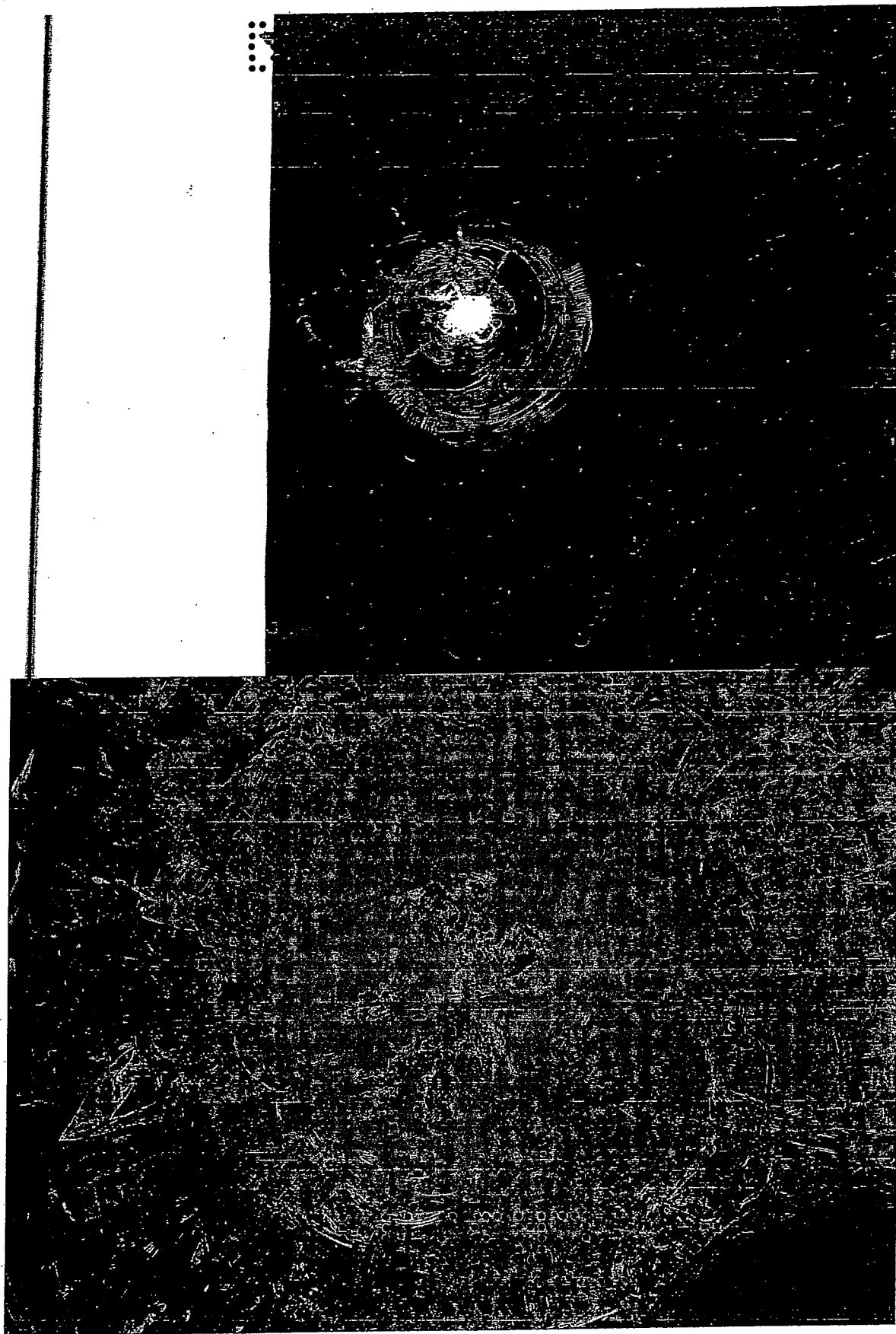
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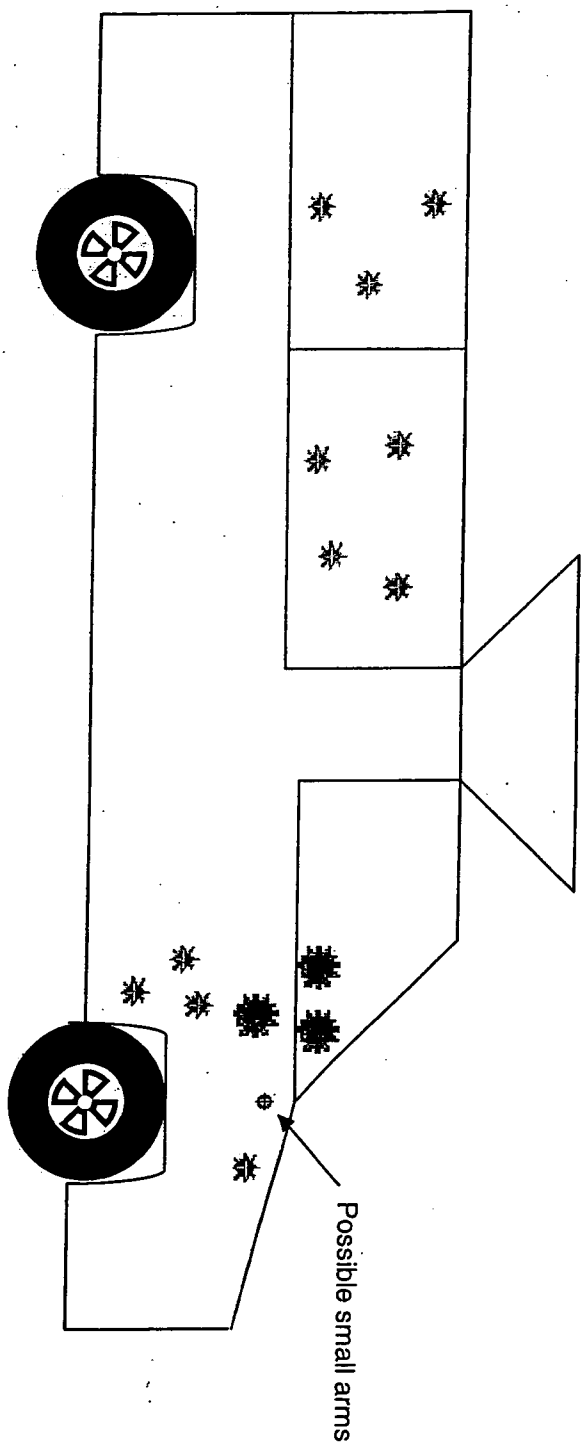
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- Three large holes on driver right side with copper traces
- Jagged holes all along right side with copper traces
- One small perfectly round hole on right front (no copper traces), possible small arms fire..

-Large "spider web" hole in left side window

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TST: Mission Information Sheet



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TOC USE ONLY			
Actual Departure Time:	0749	Actual Return time:	1807
Mission Package Includes: Cover Sheet - Load Plan - Route Plan - Topical Photo of Venue			
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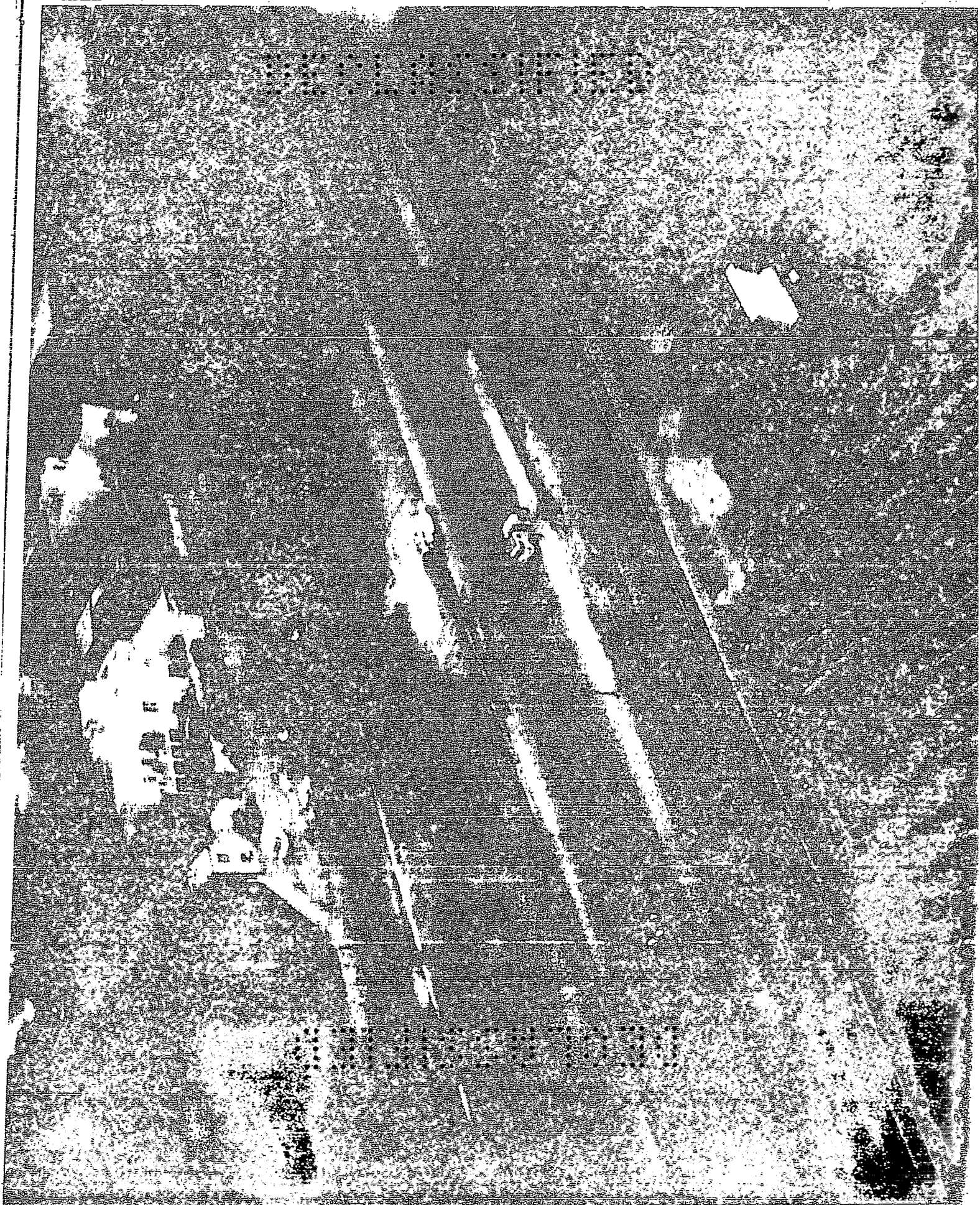
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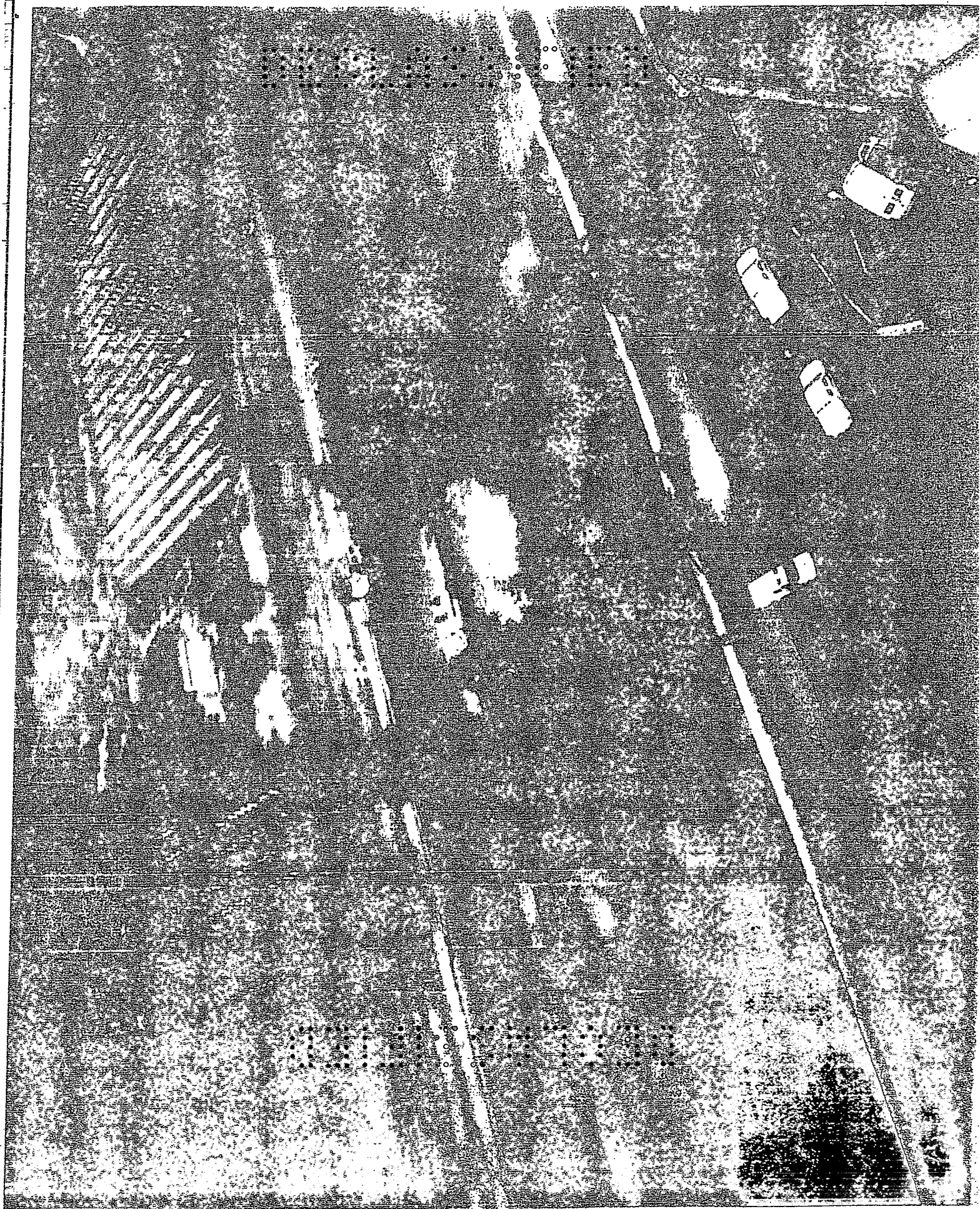












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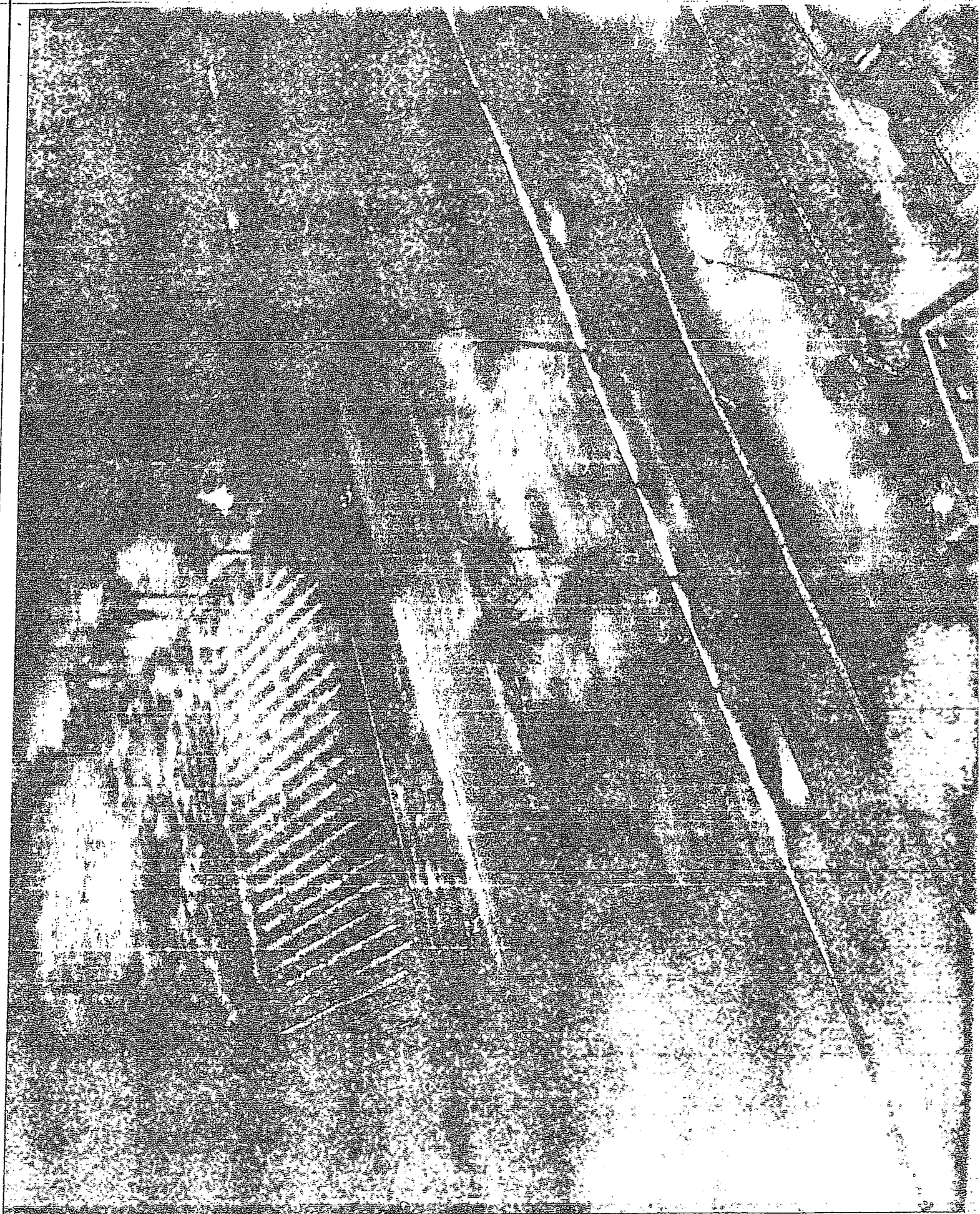
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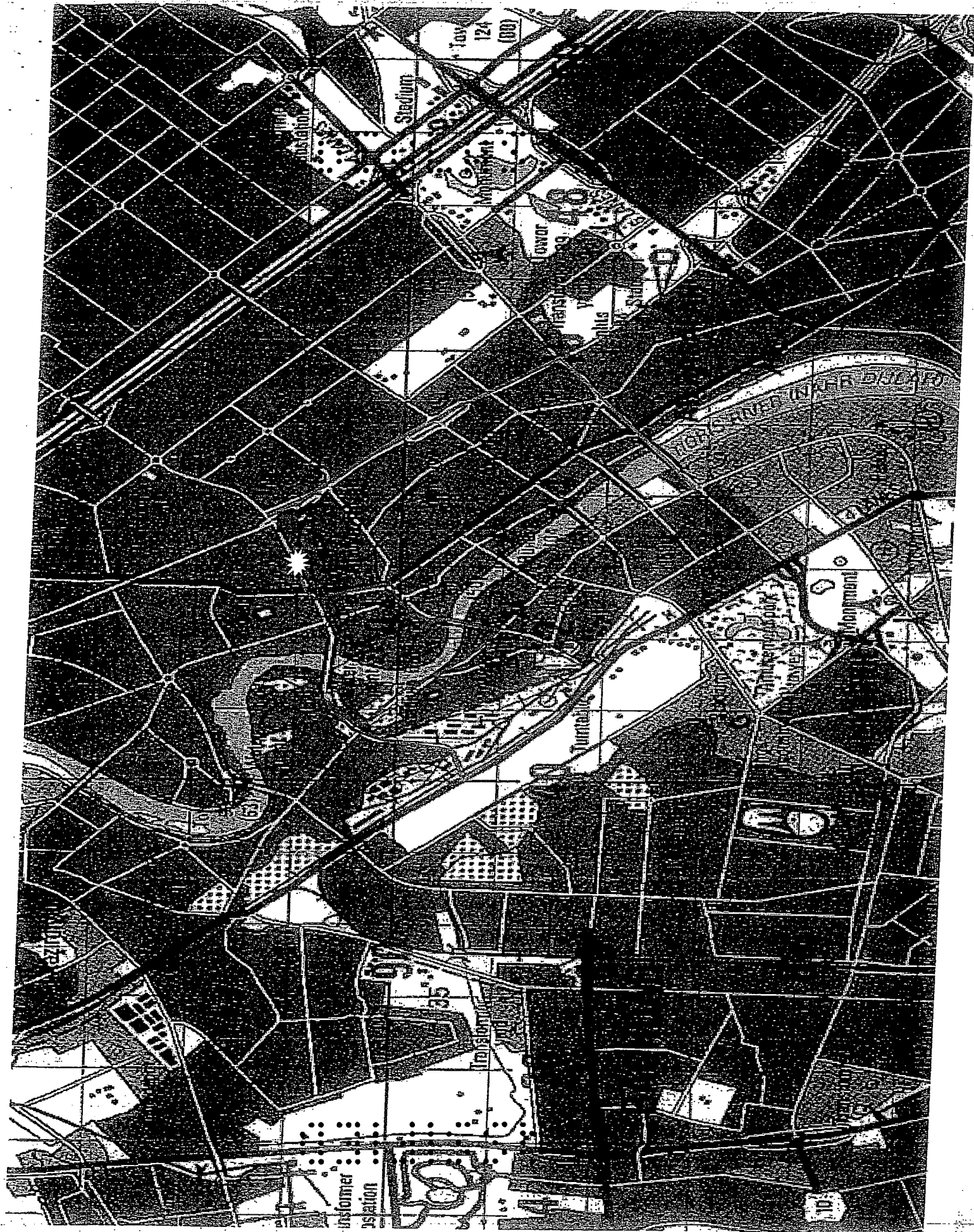
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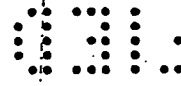
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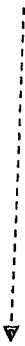
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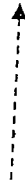
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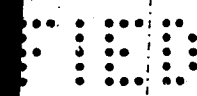
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Line of sight firing position

Partially Wooded Median

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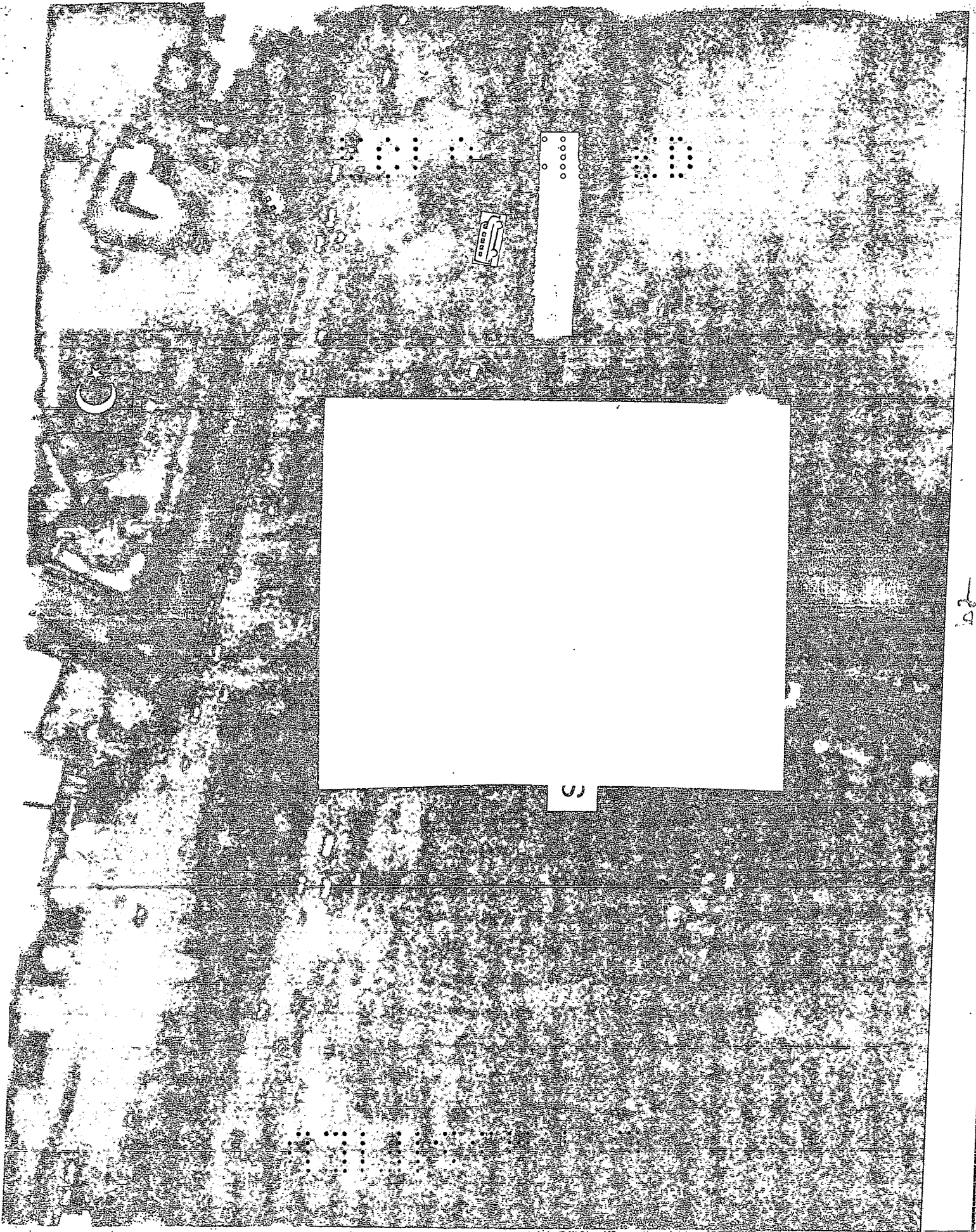


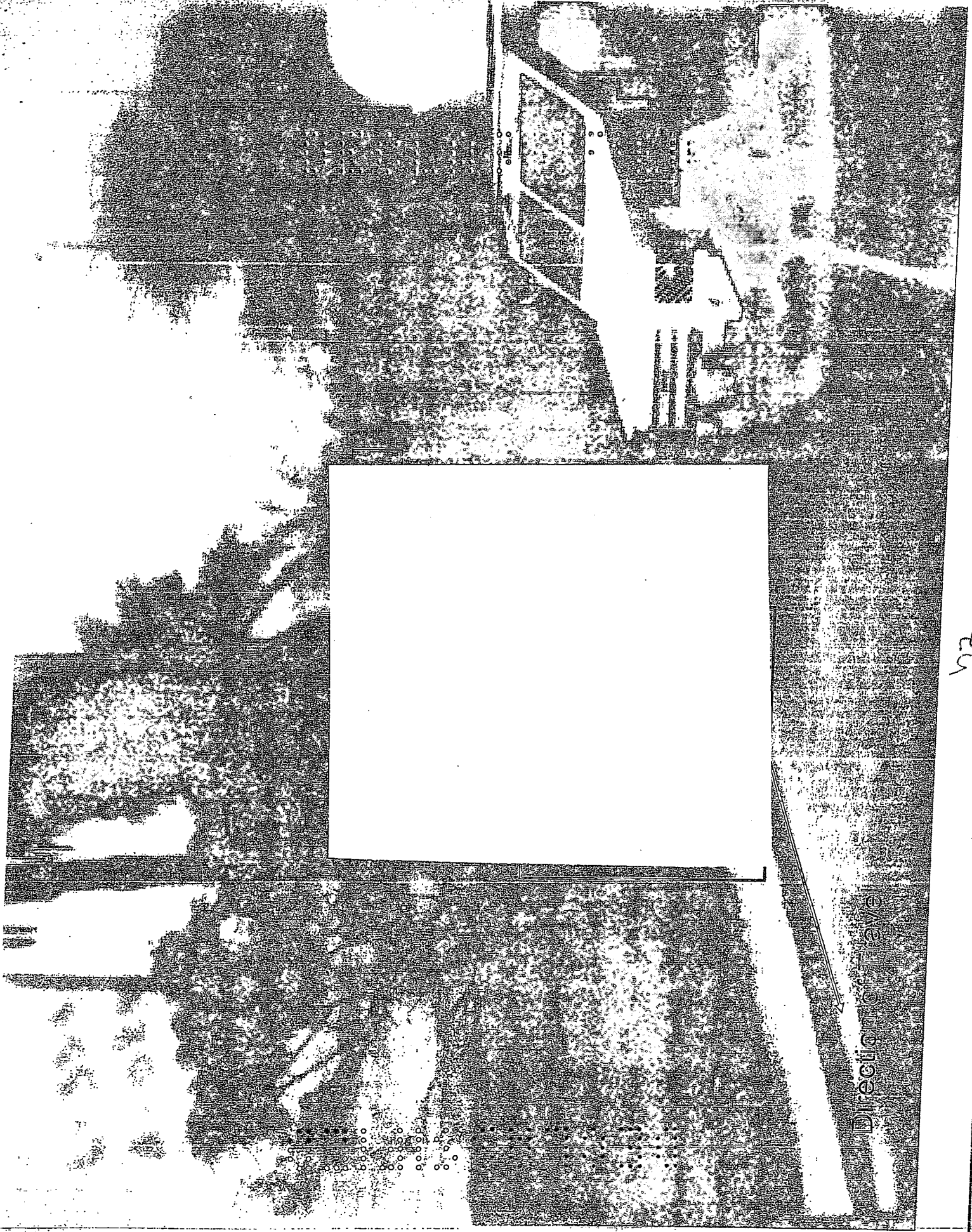
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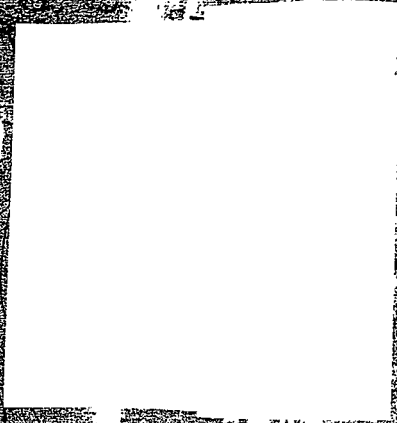




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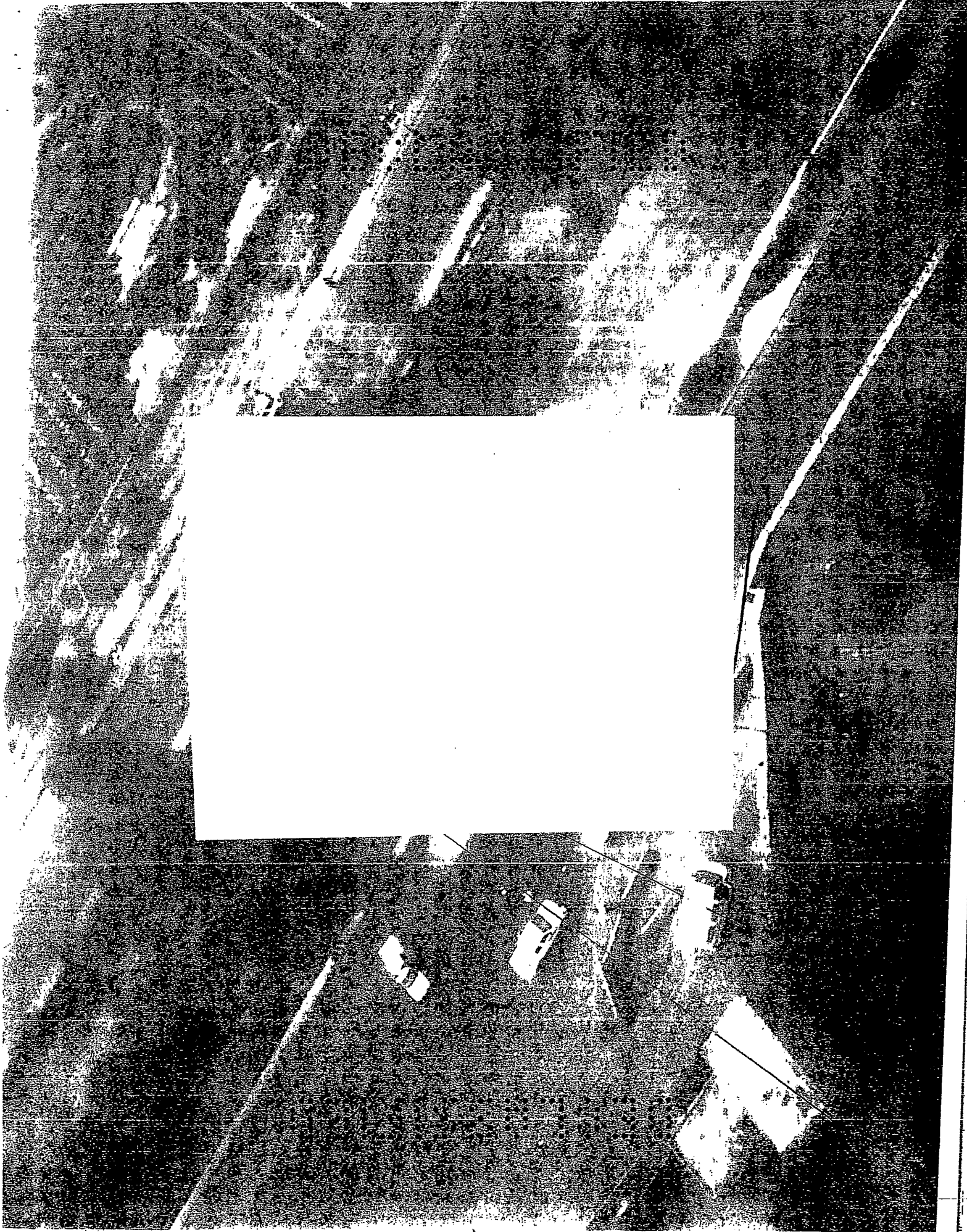


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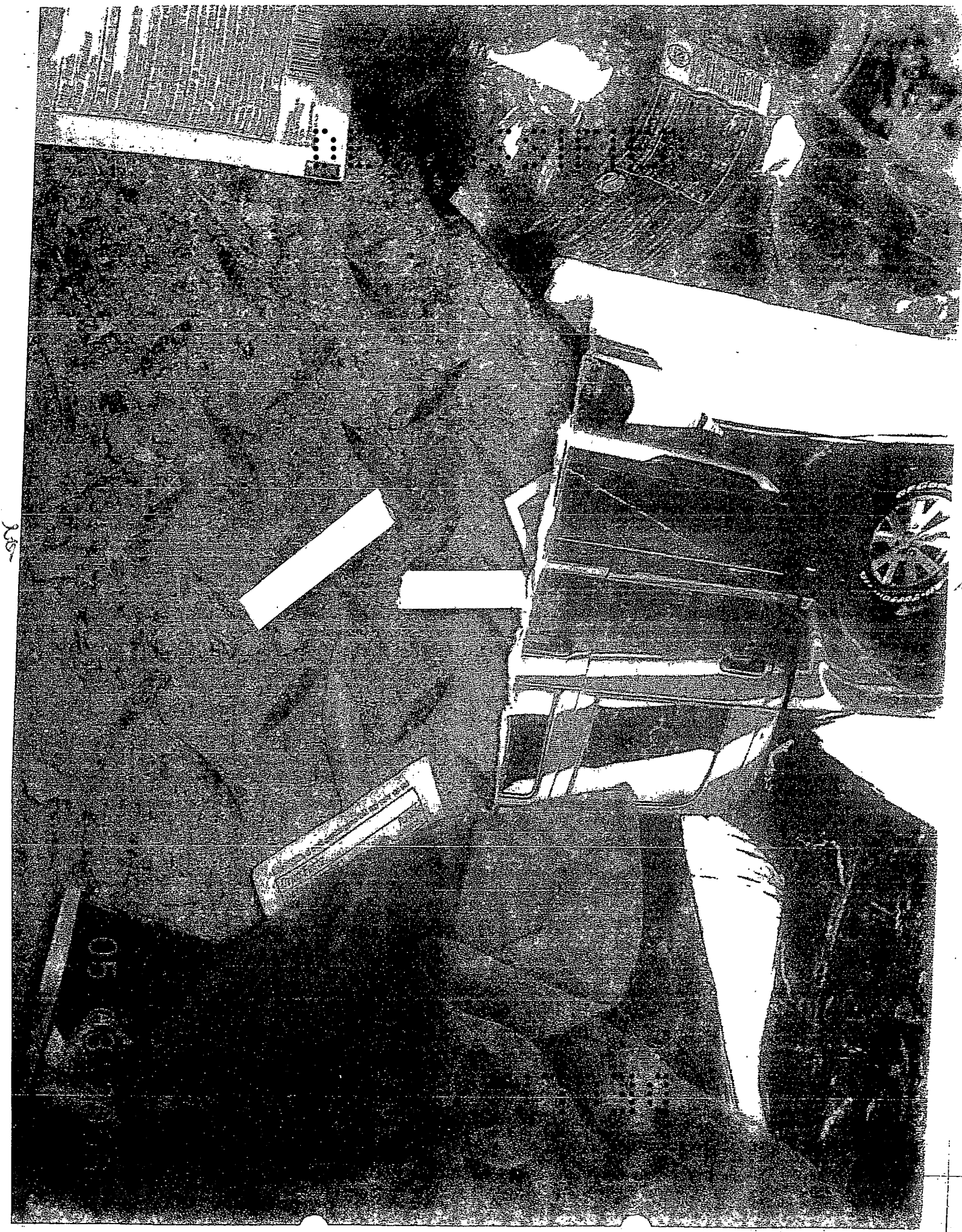




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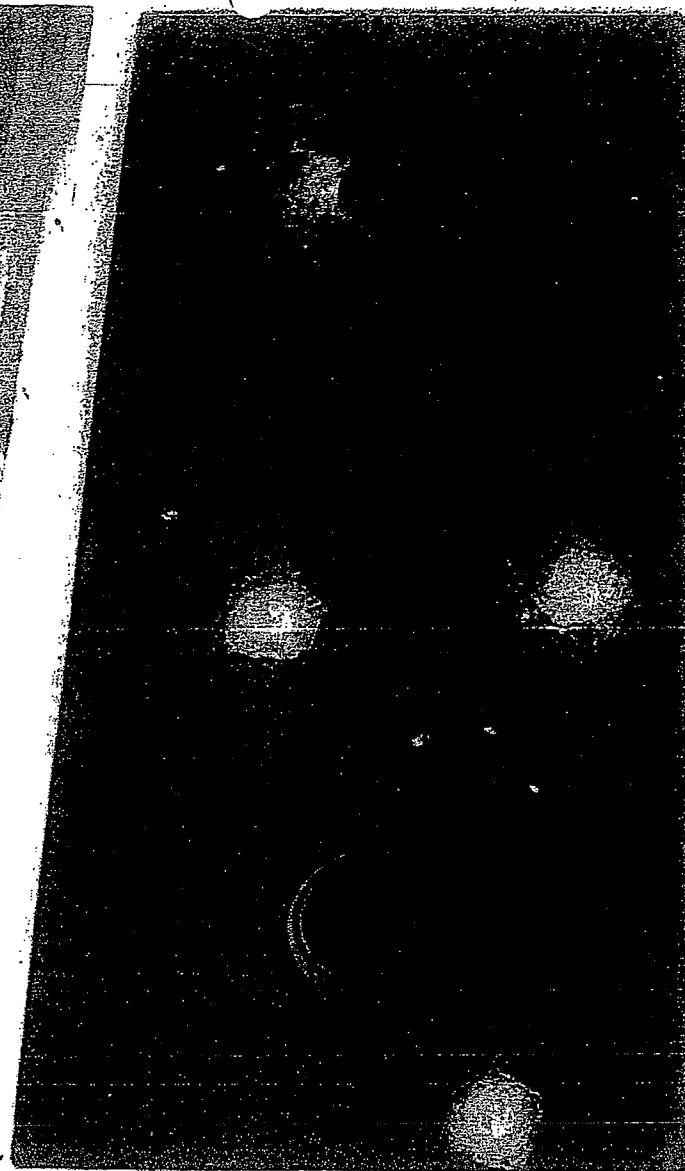
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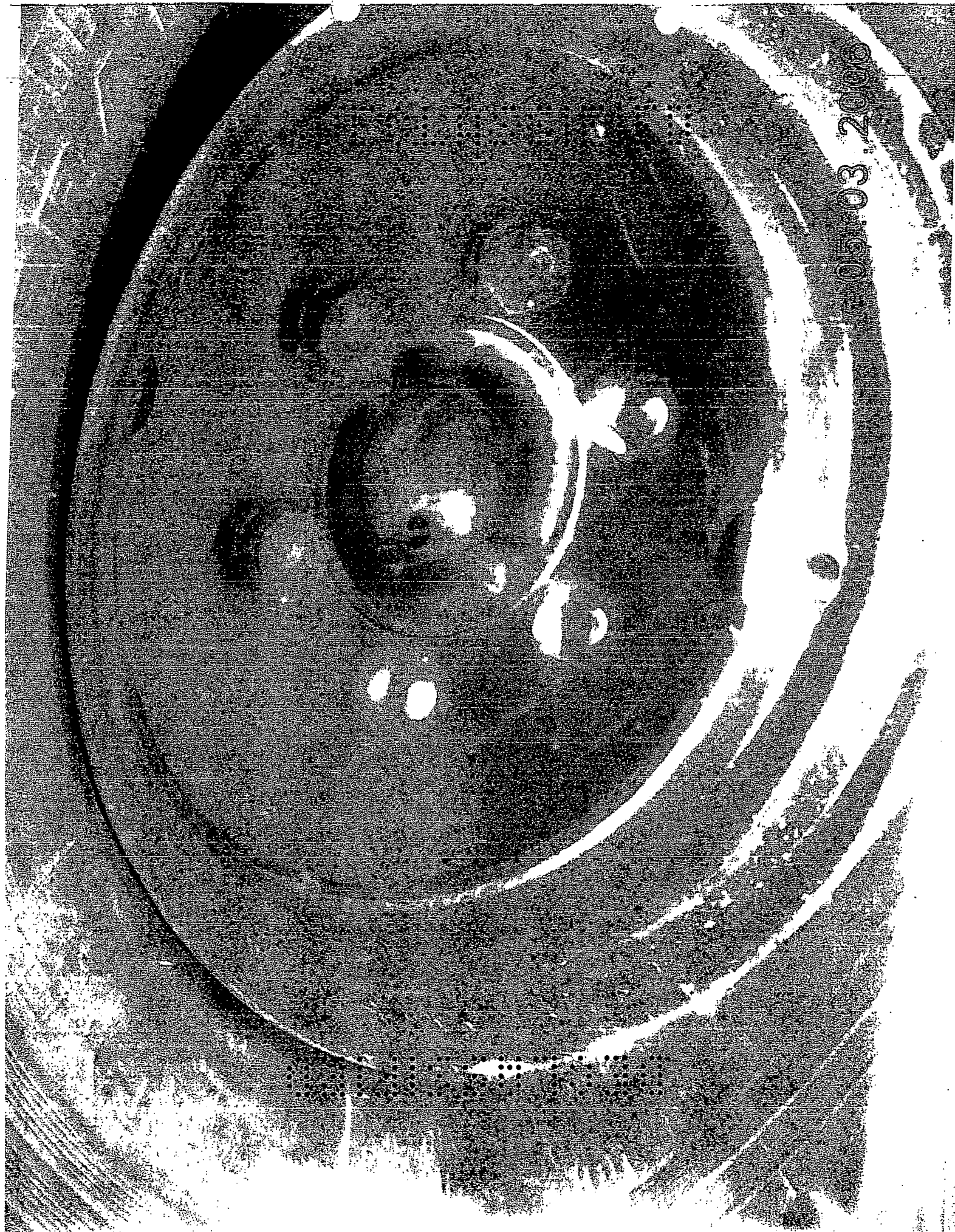


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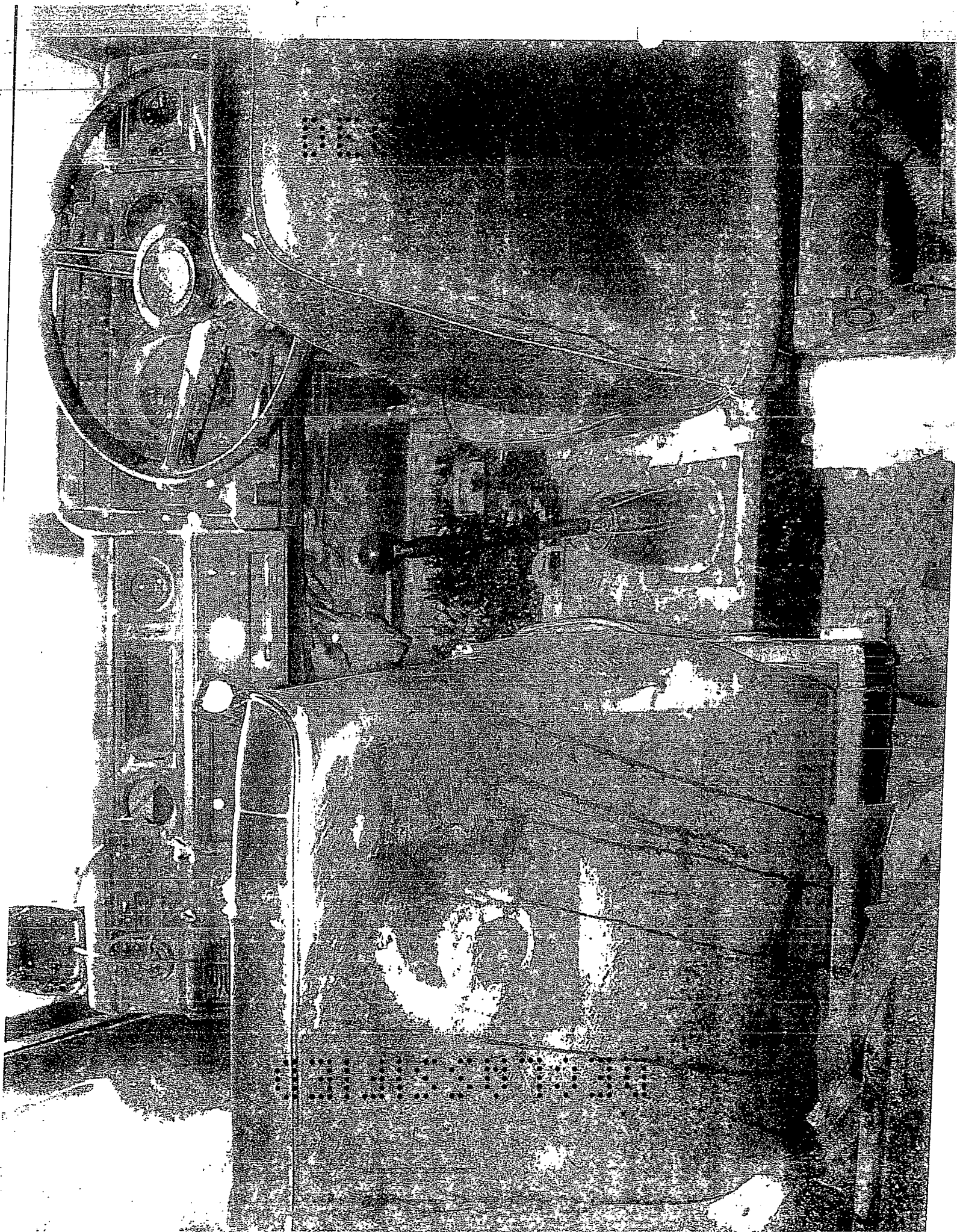


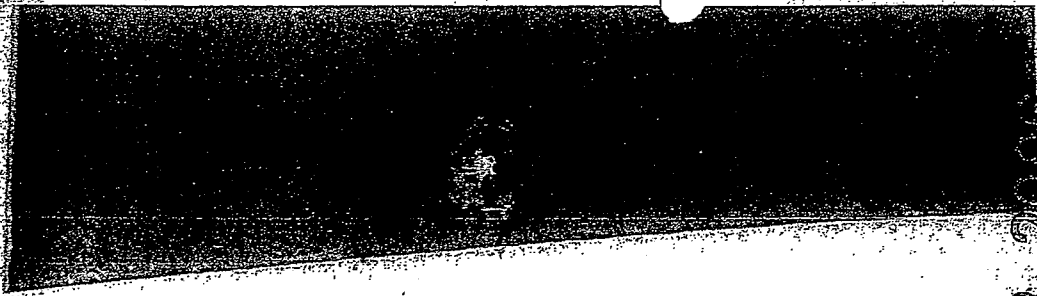
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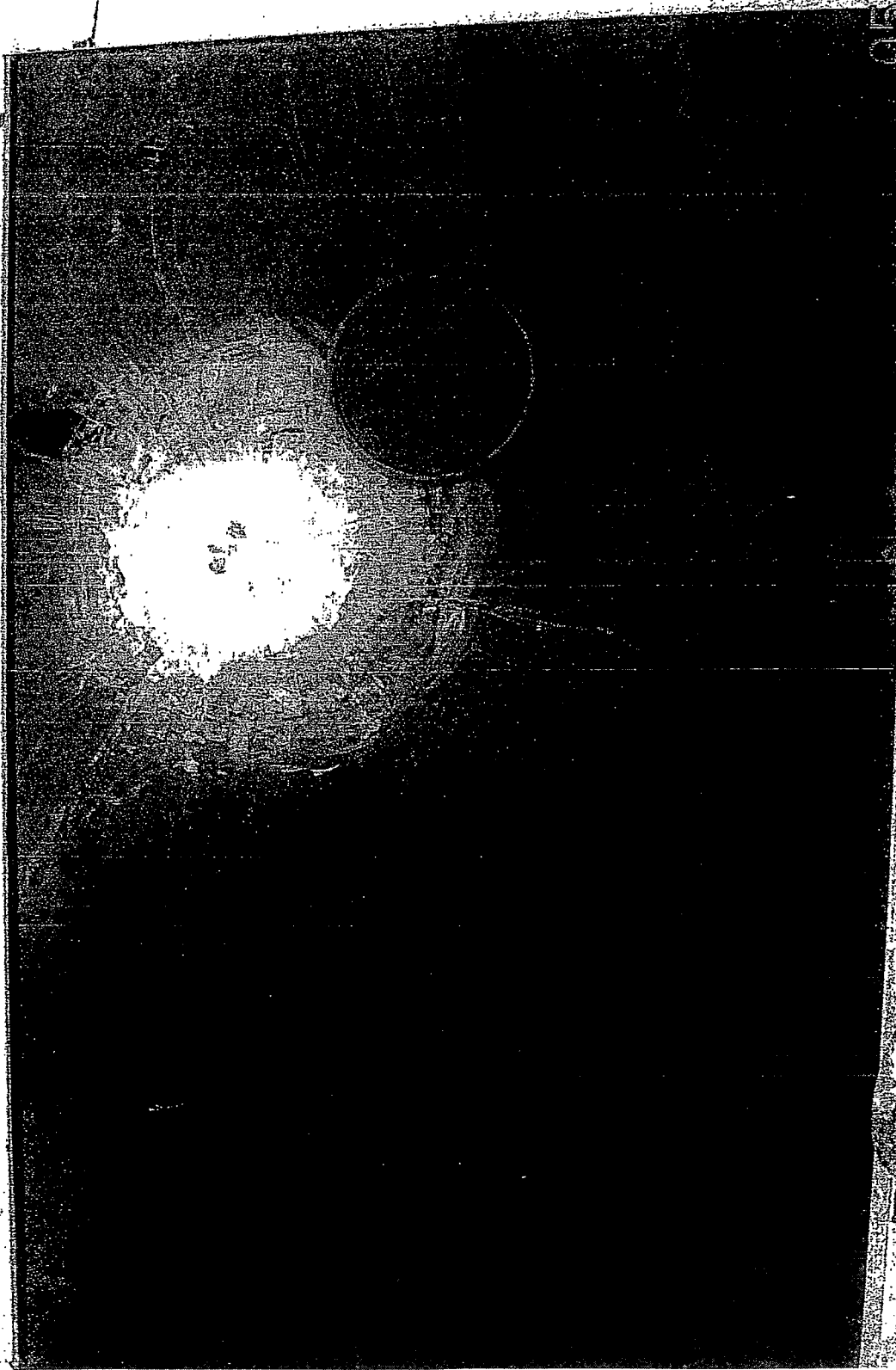


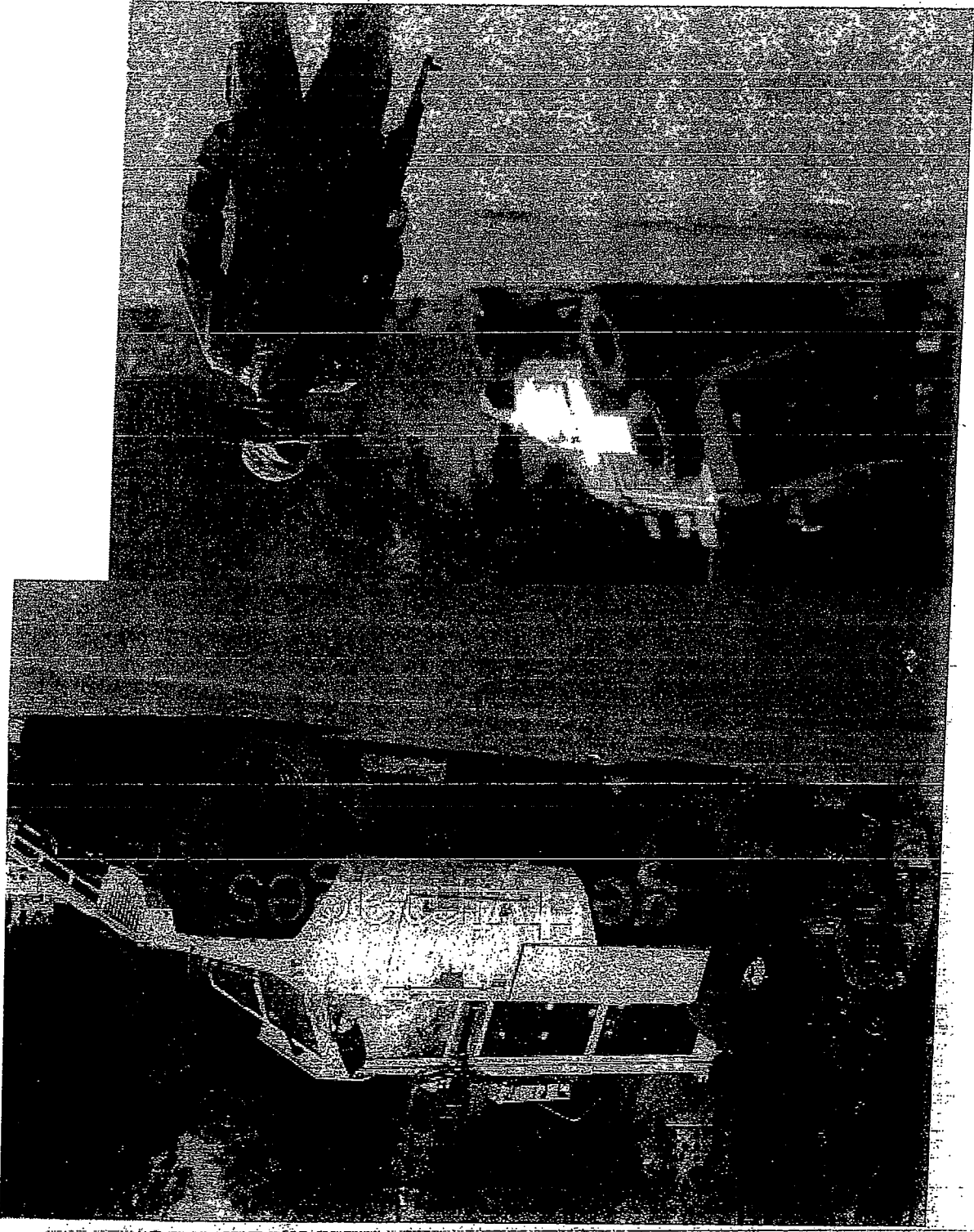






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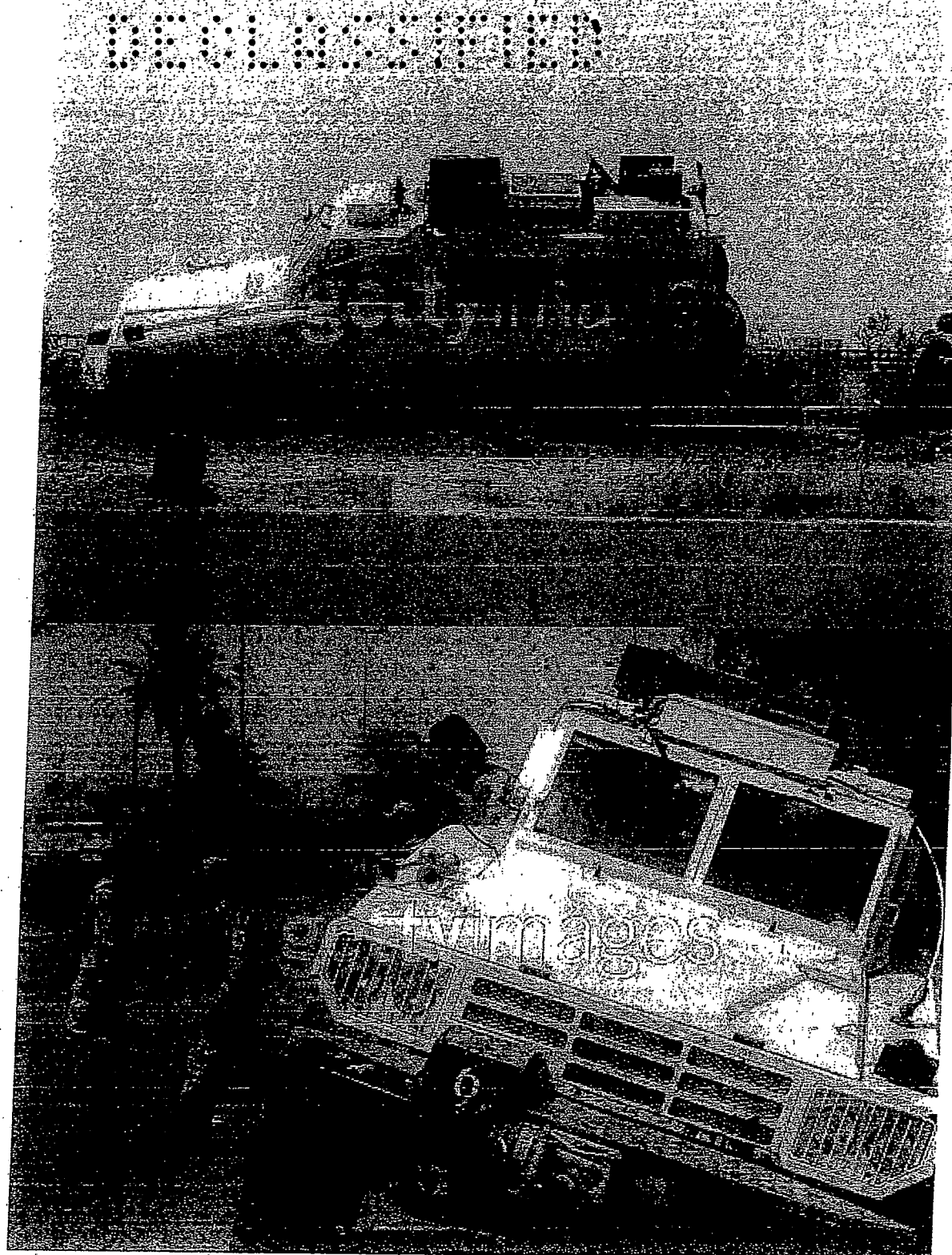




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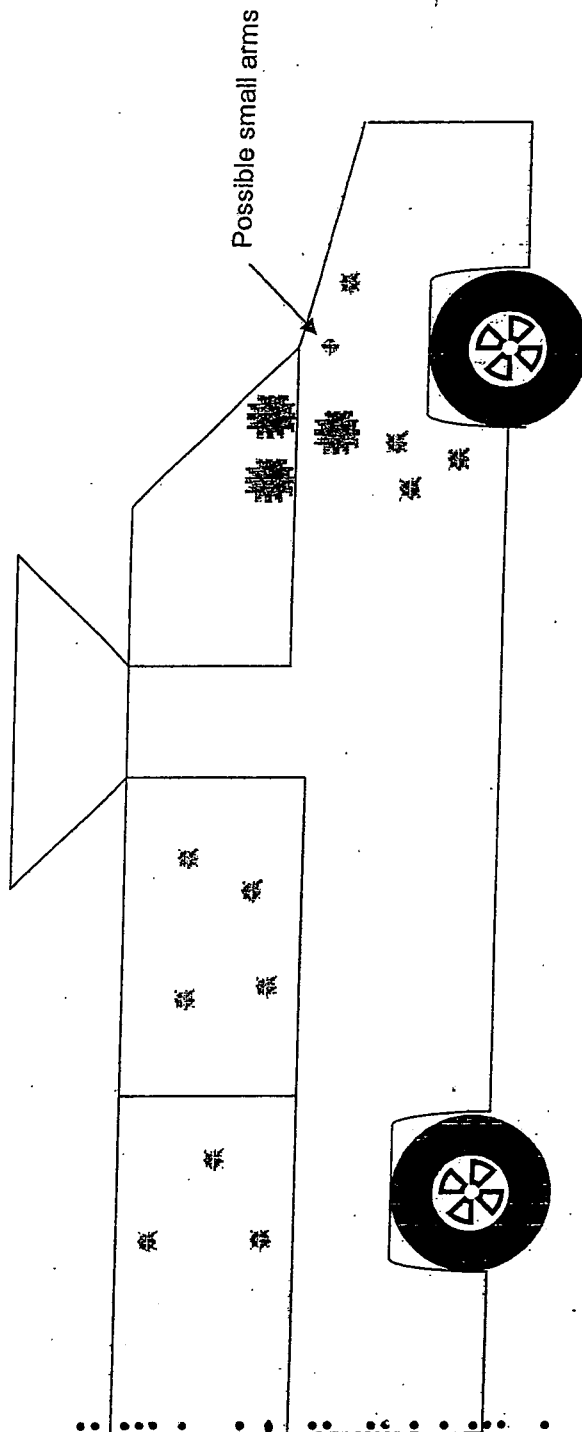




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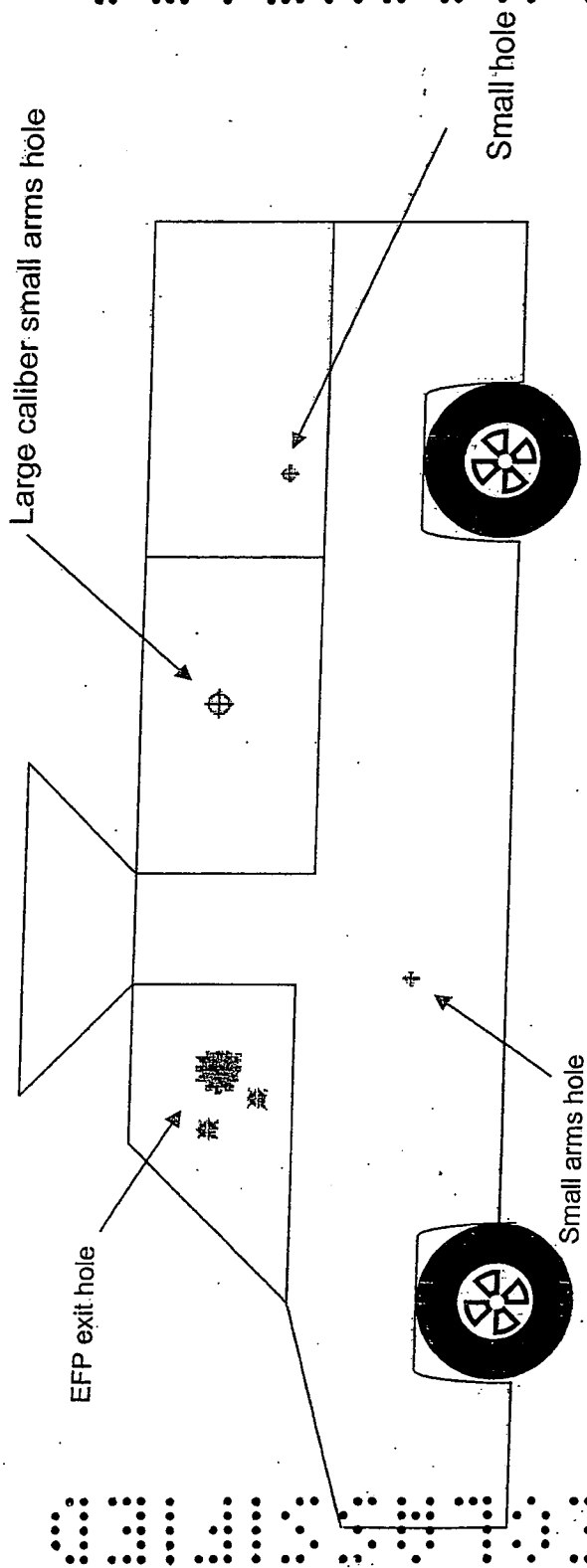


- Three large holes on driver right side with copper traces

- Jagged holes all along right side with copper traces

- One small perfectly round hole on right front (no copper traces), possible small arms fire..

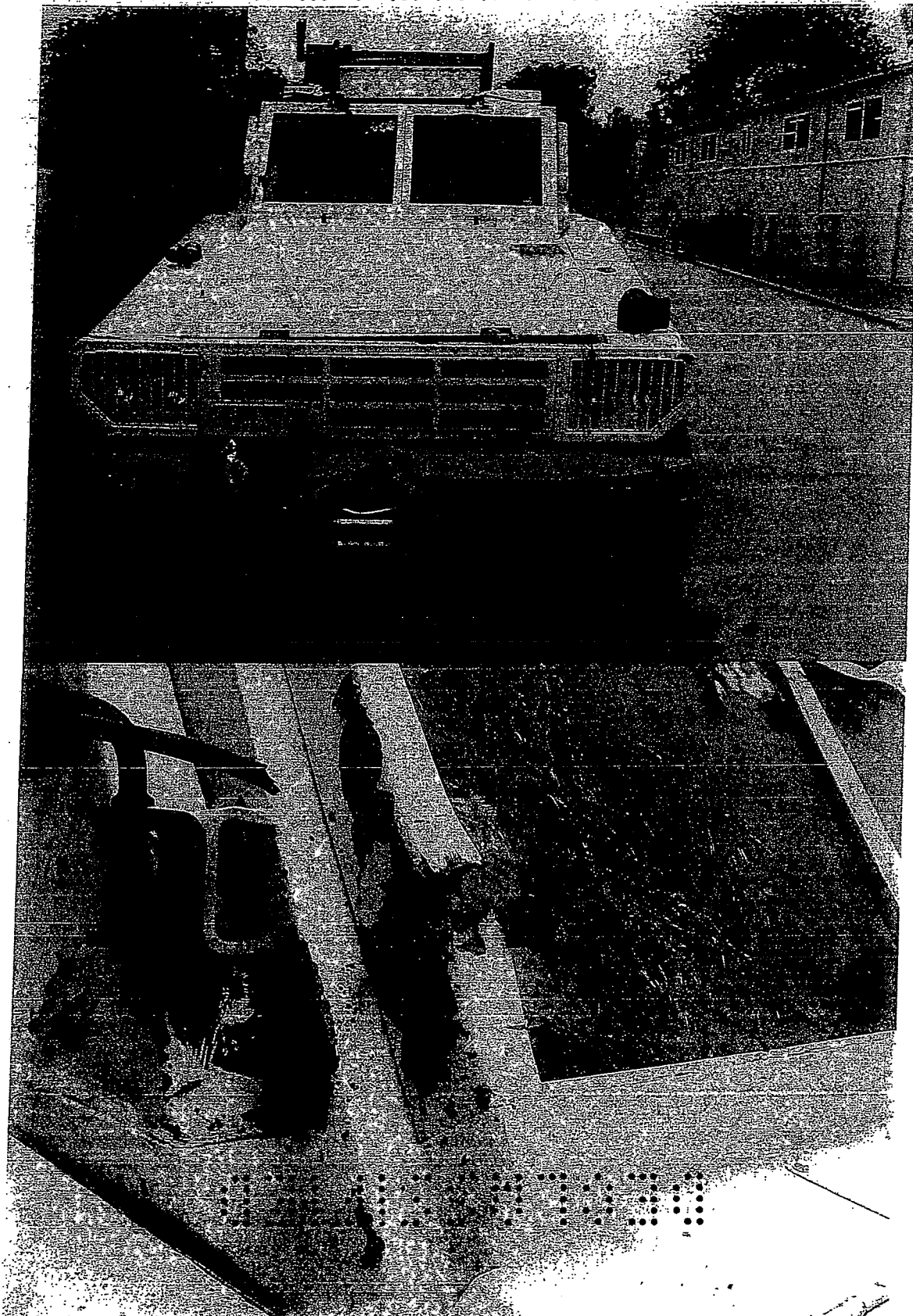
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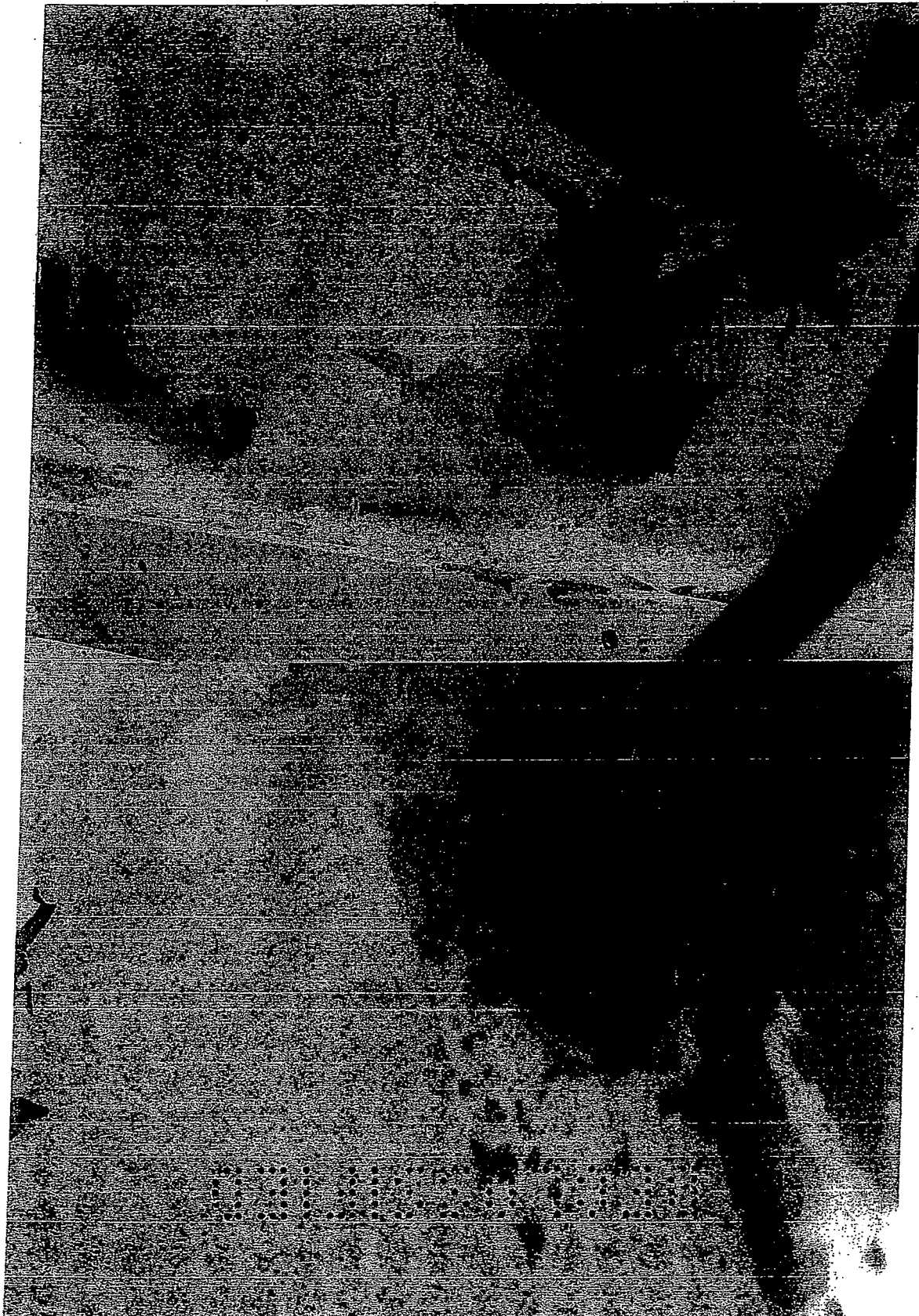
- Exit hole from EFPP on left front window
- Perfectly round hole on left side
- Large "spider web" hole in left side window
- Small hole in left rear glass



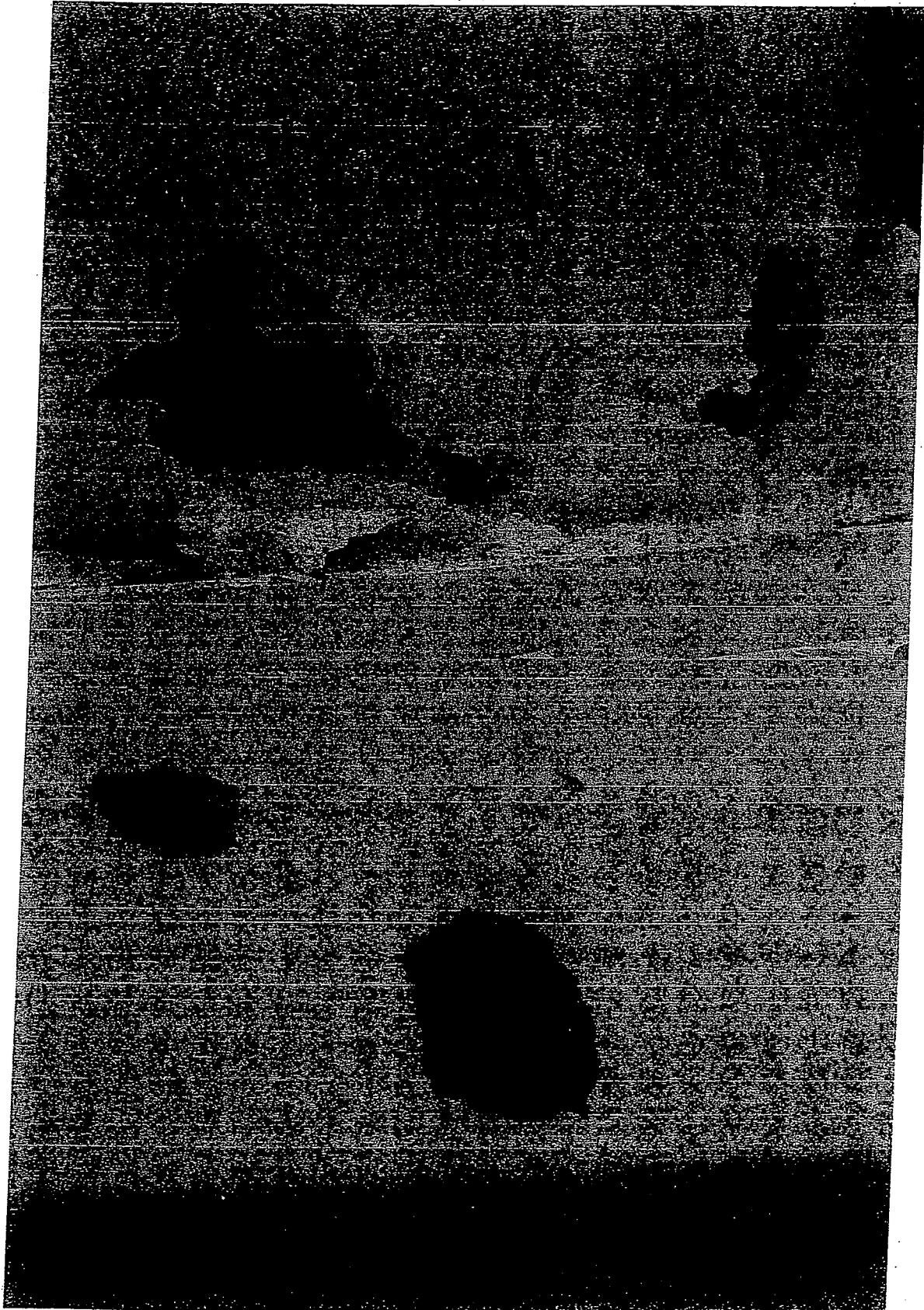
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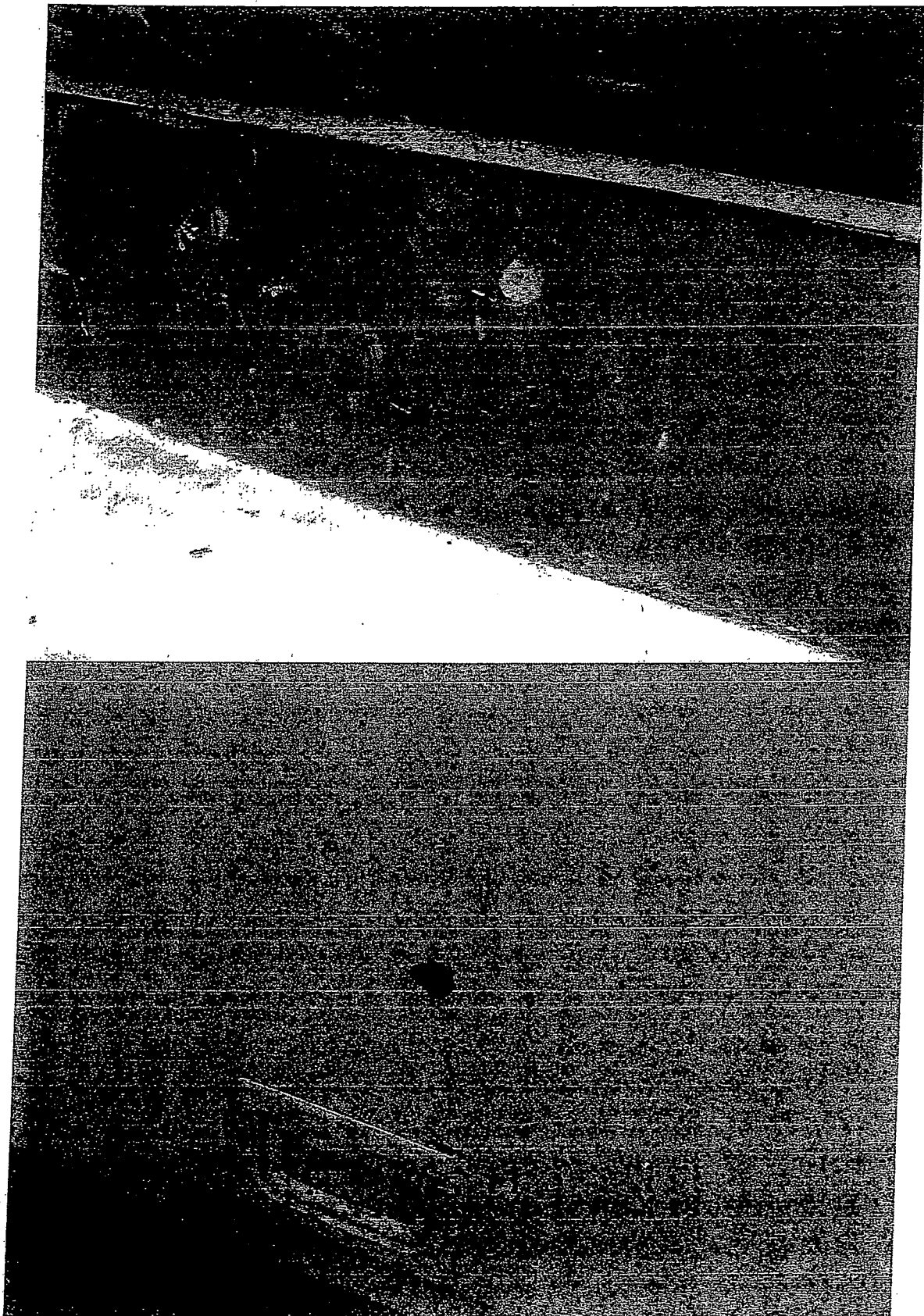
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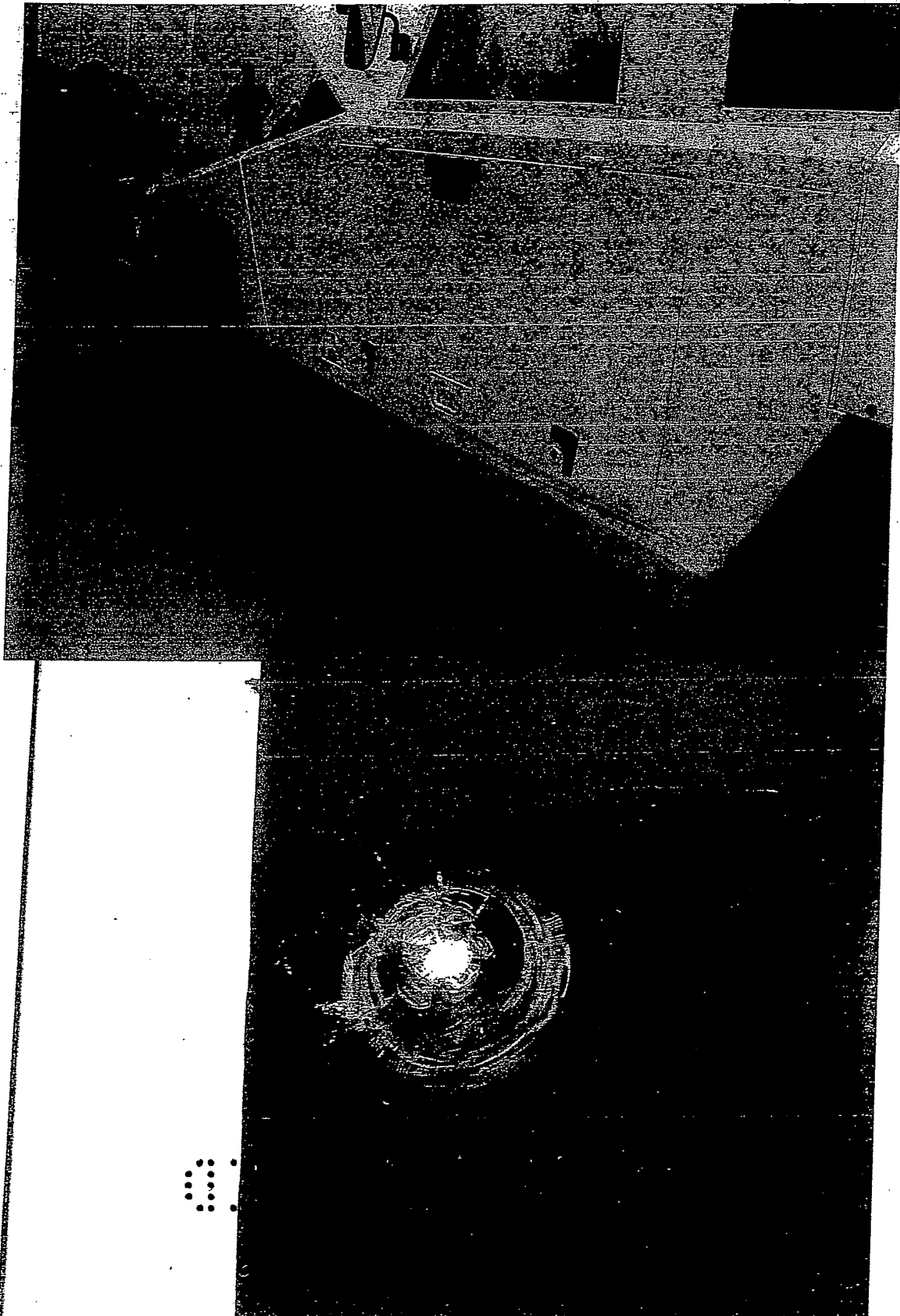
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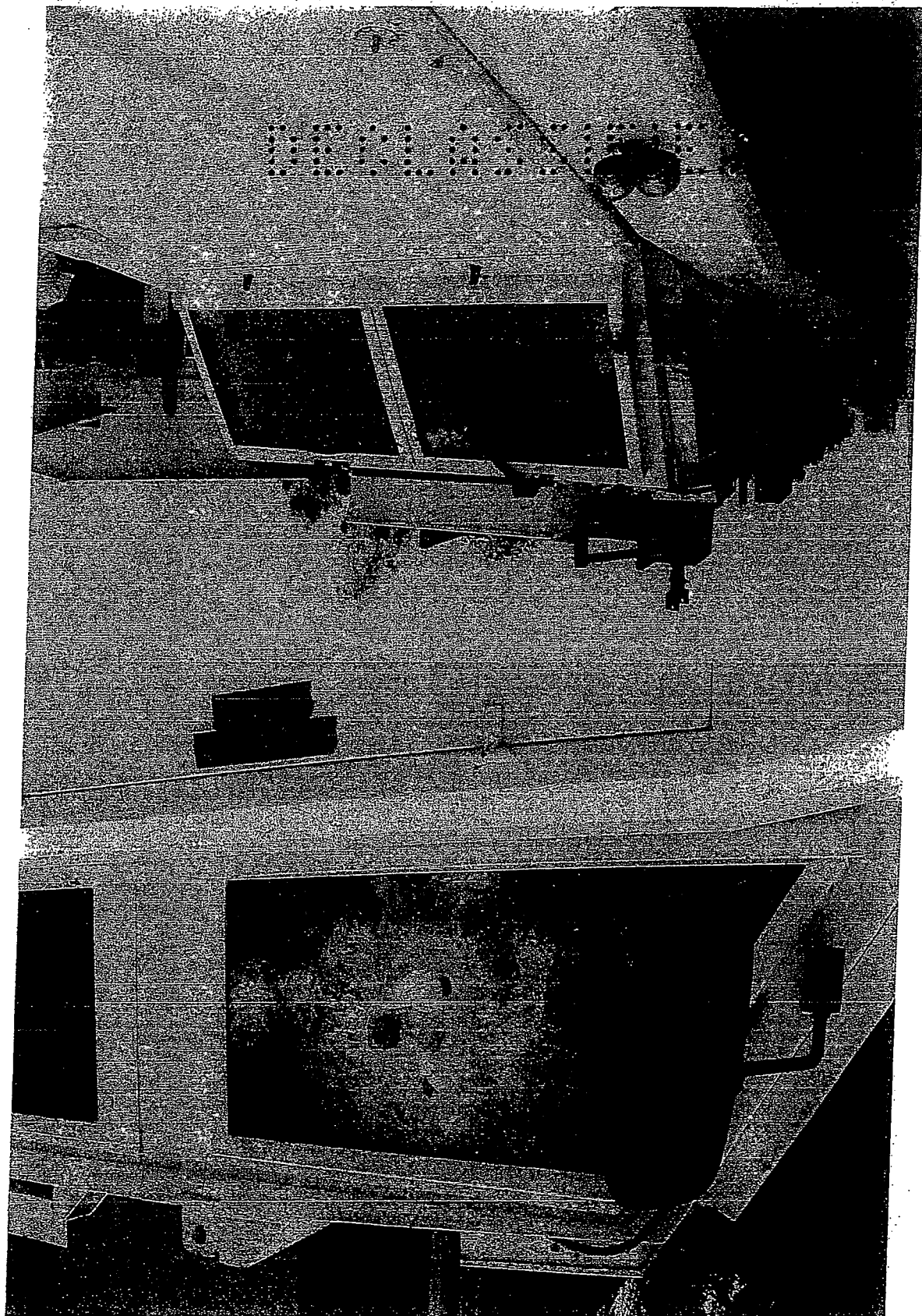


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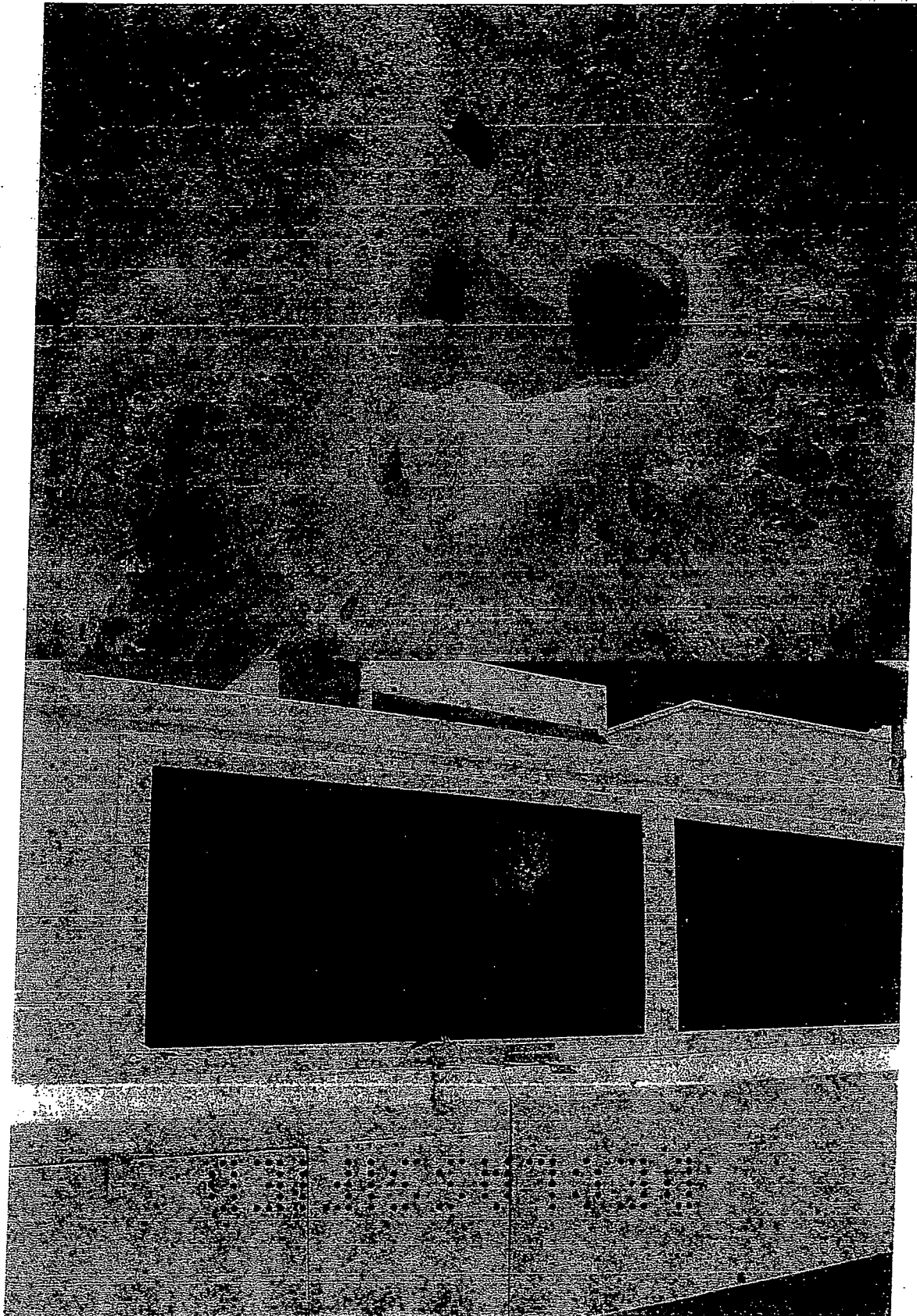
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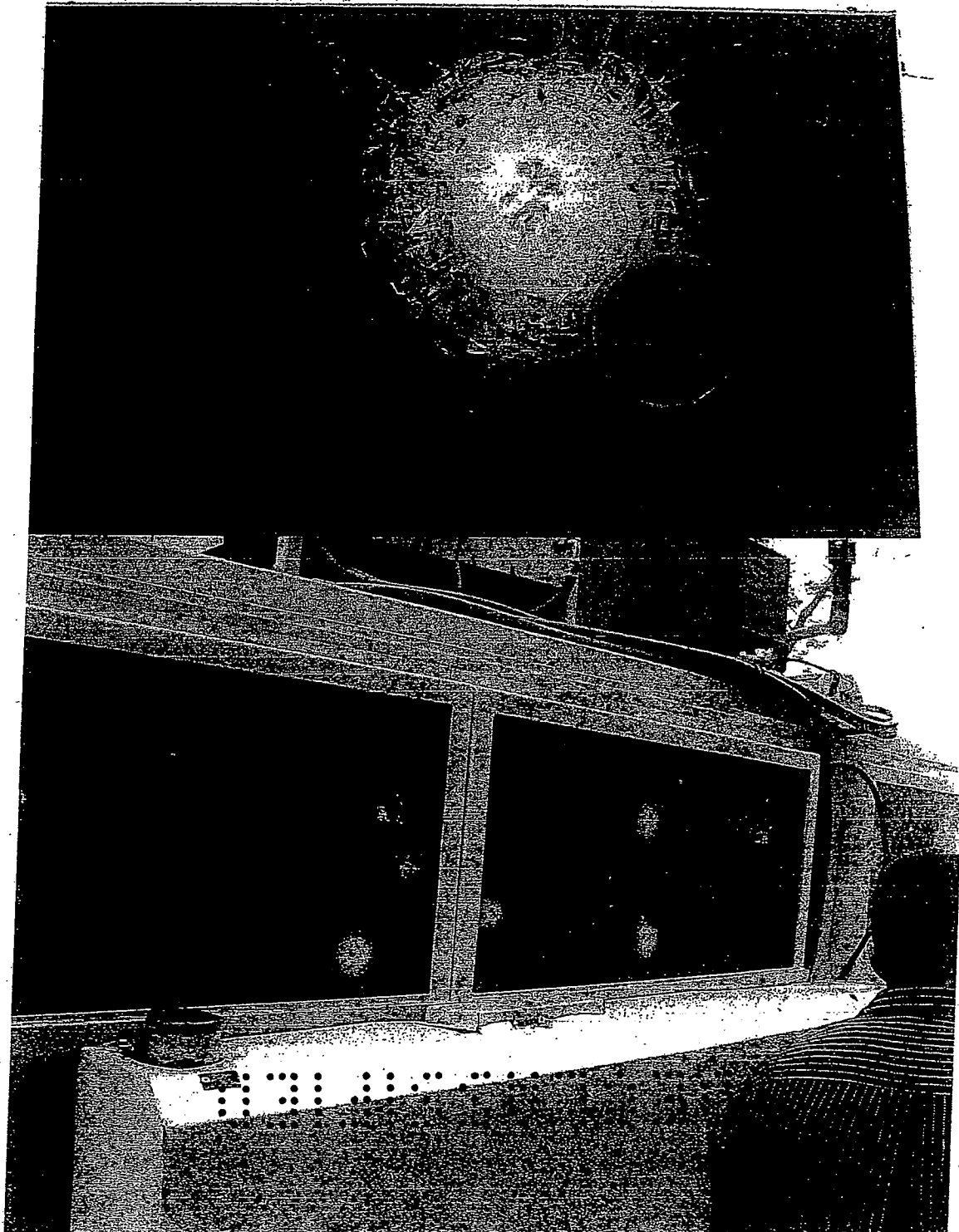


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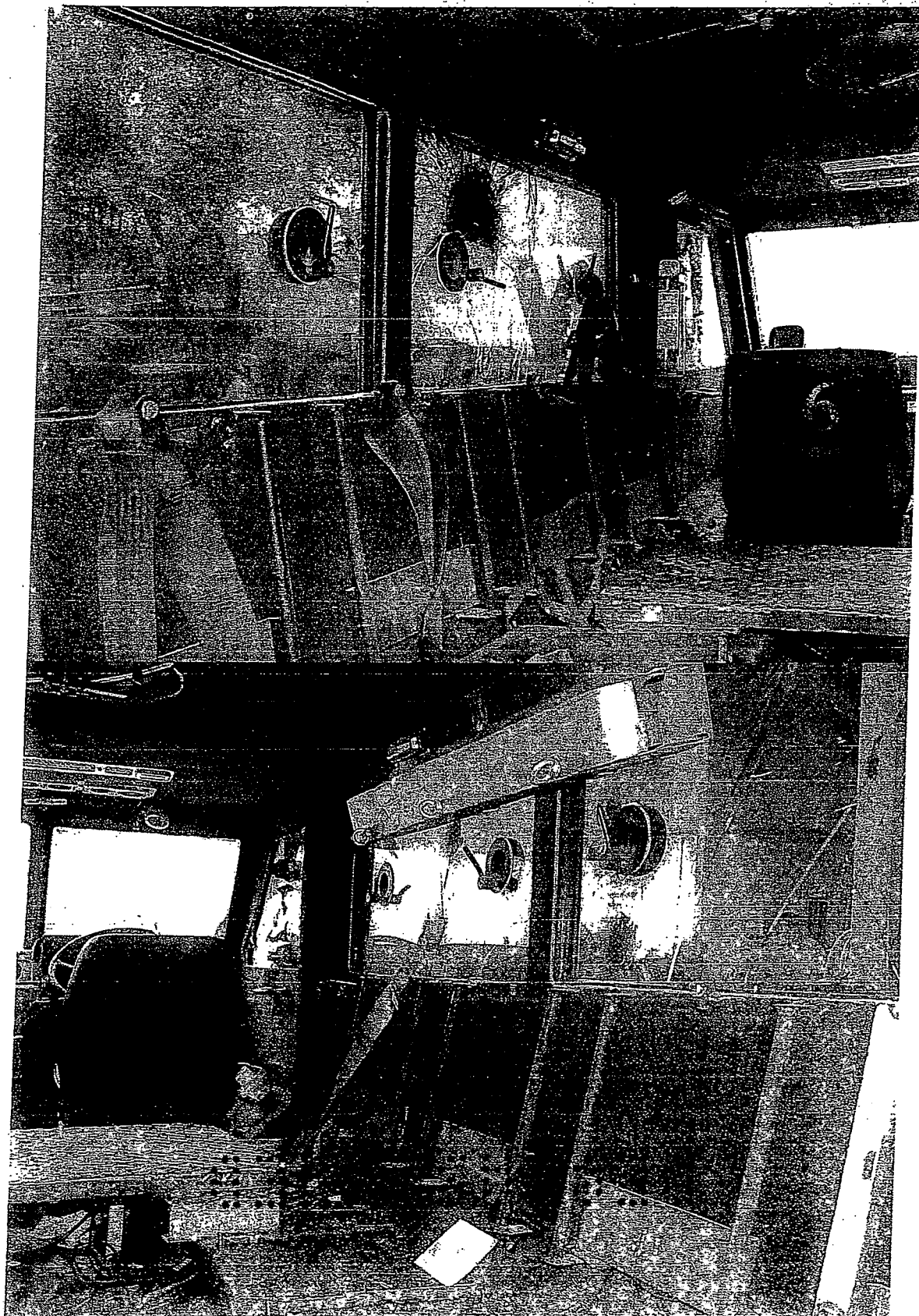




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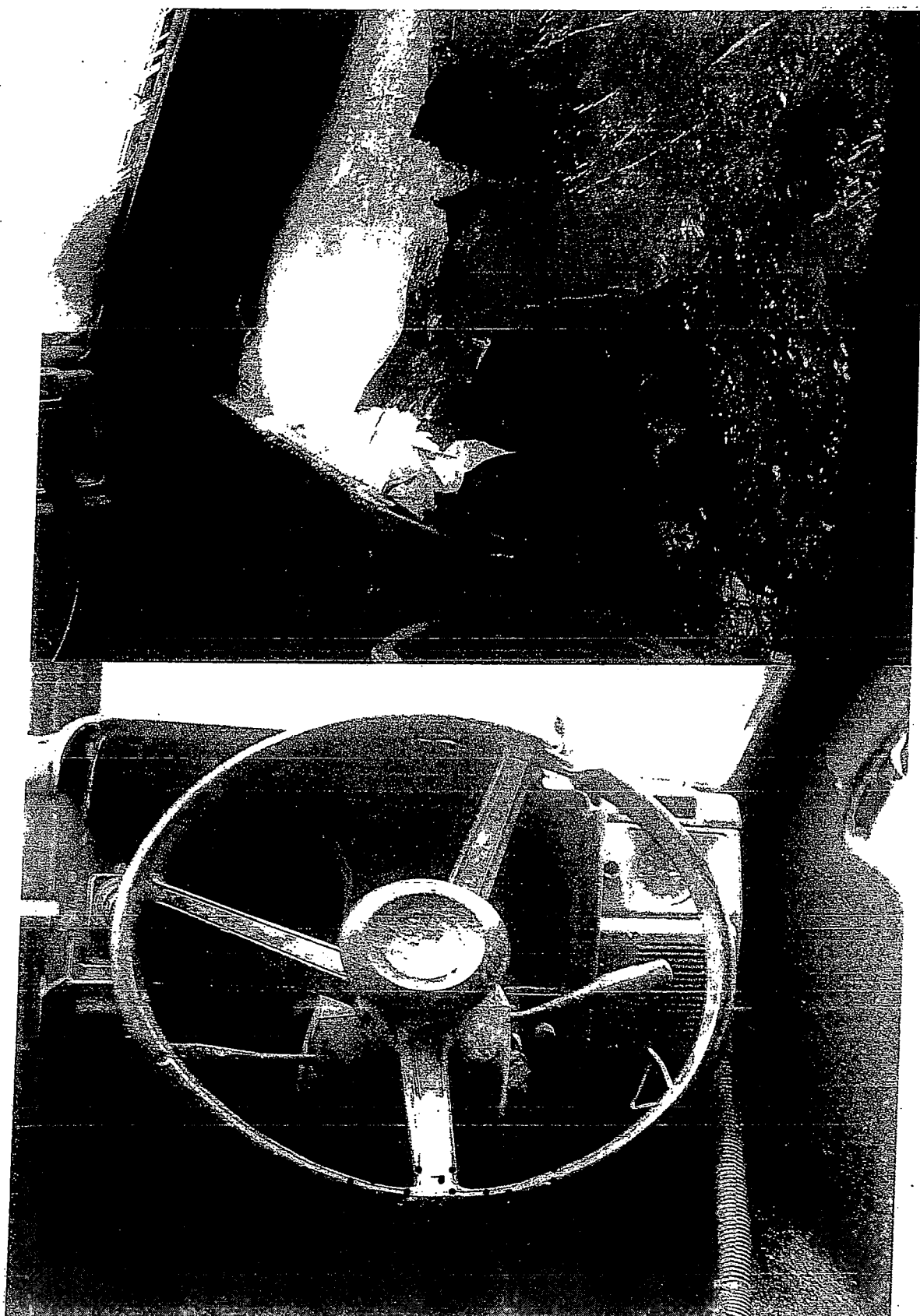


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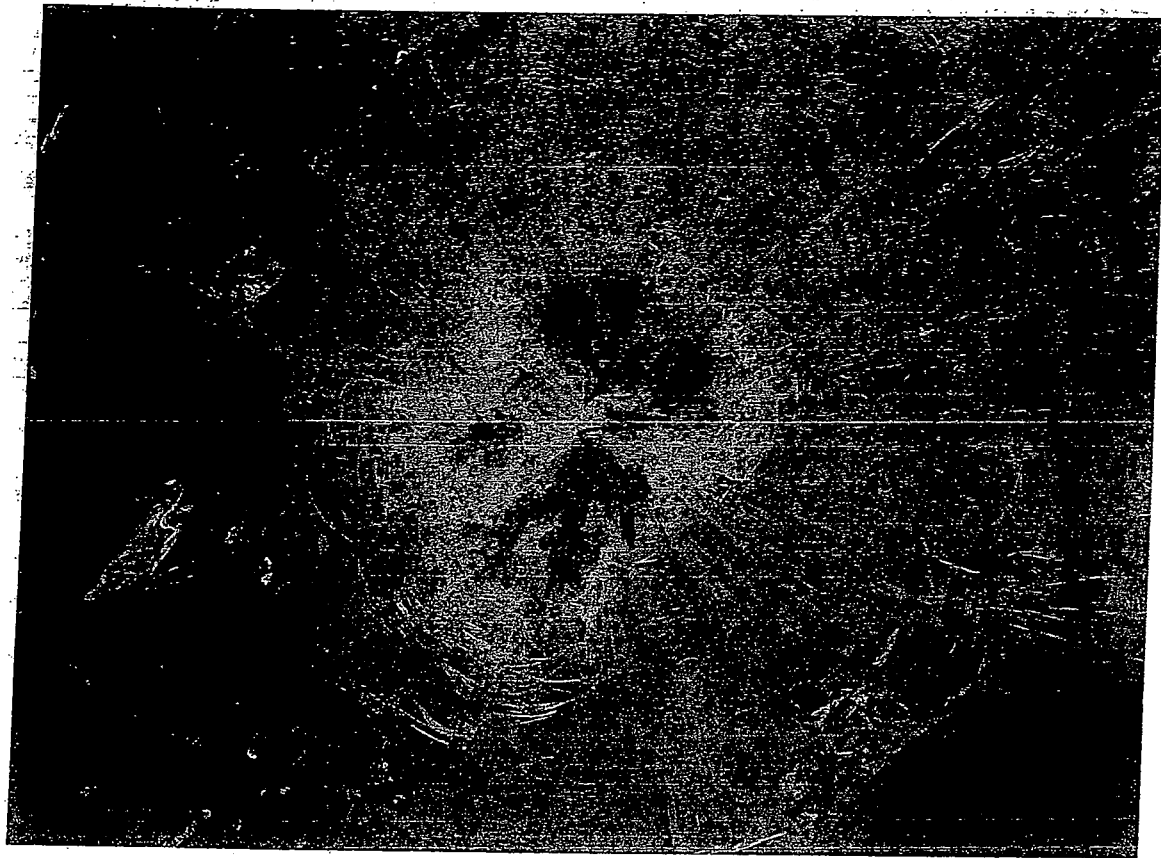




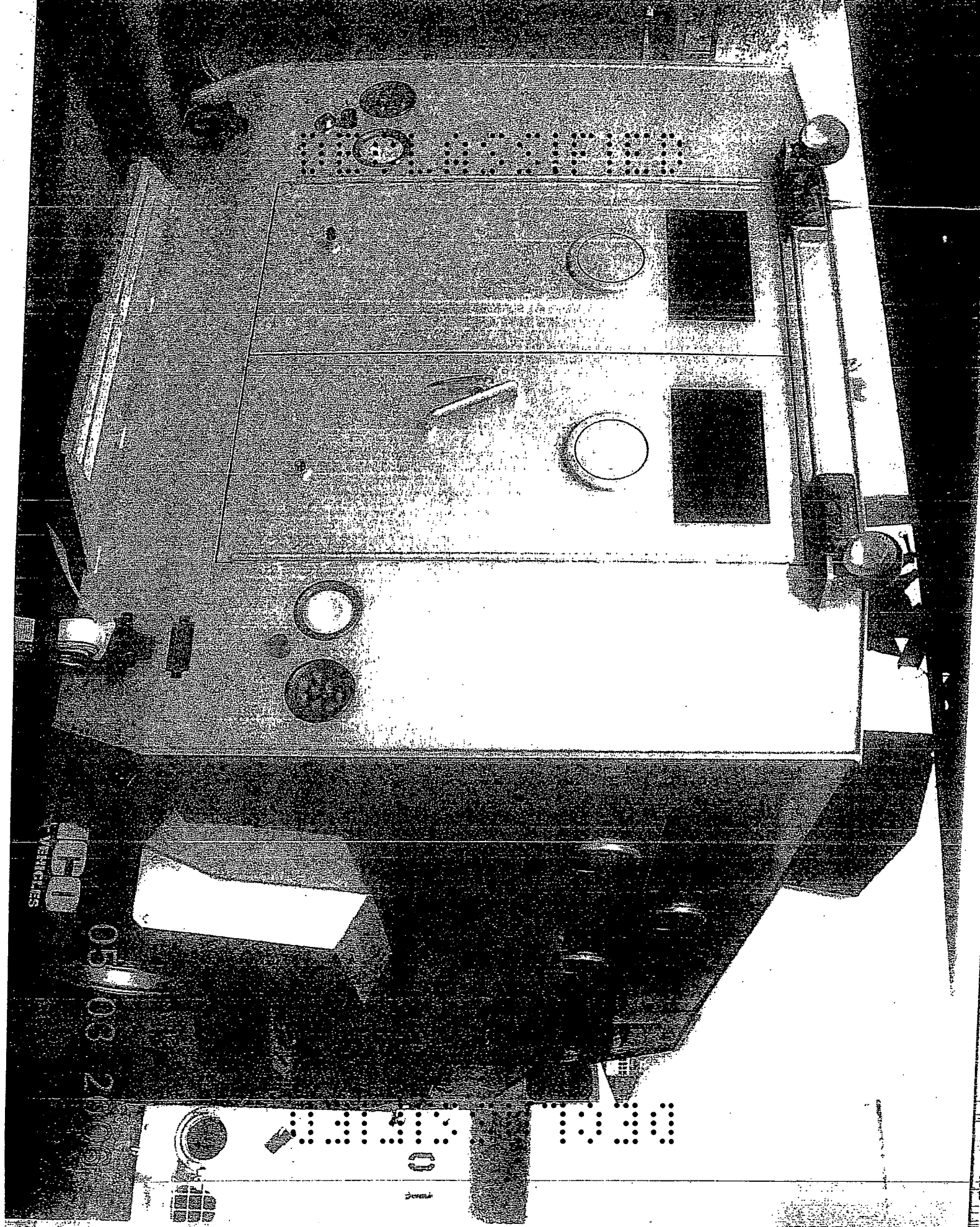
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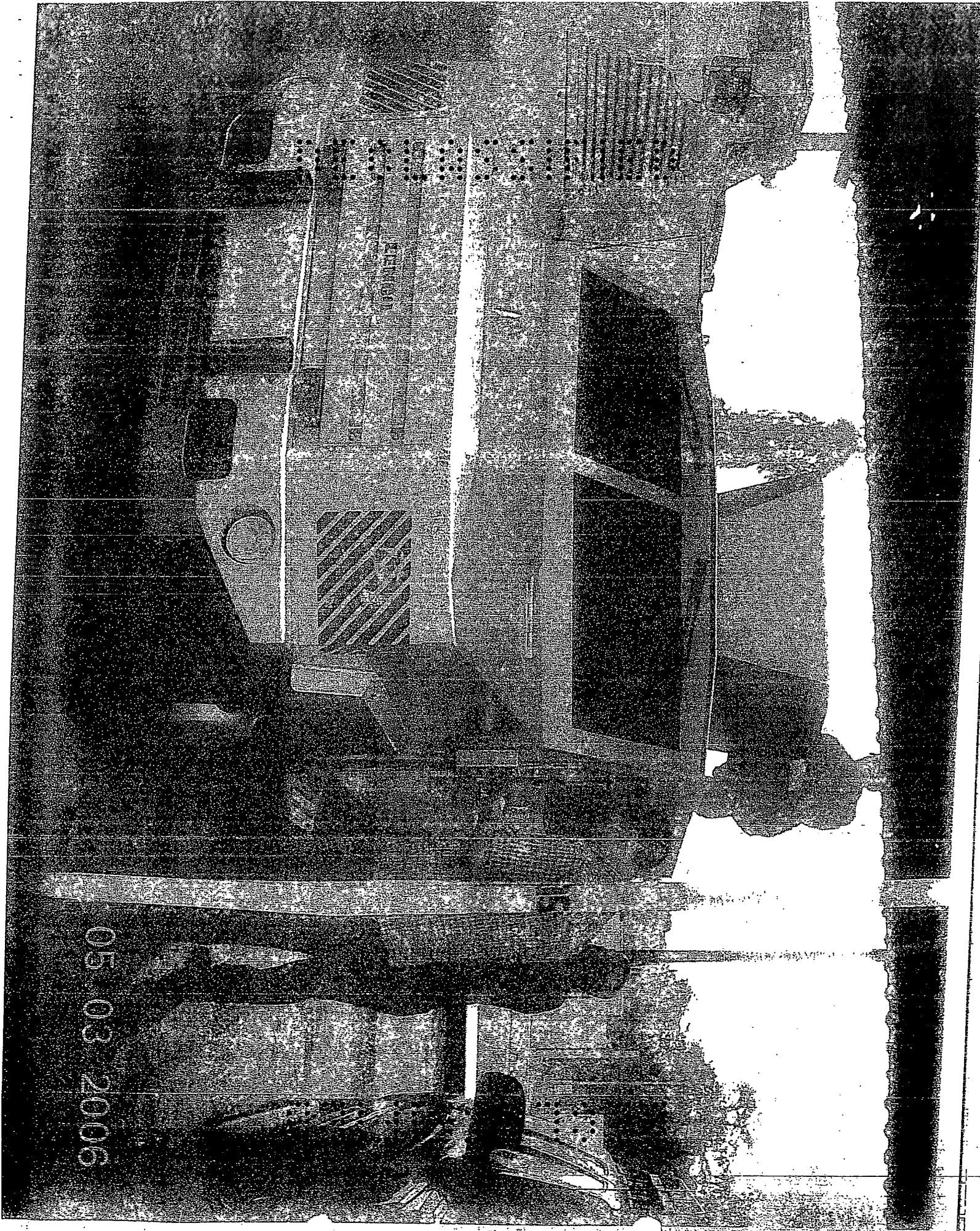


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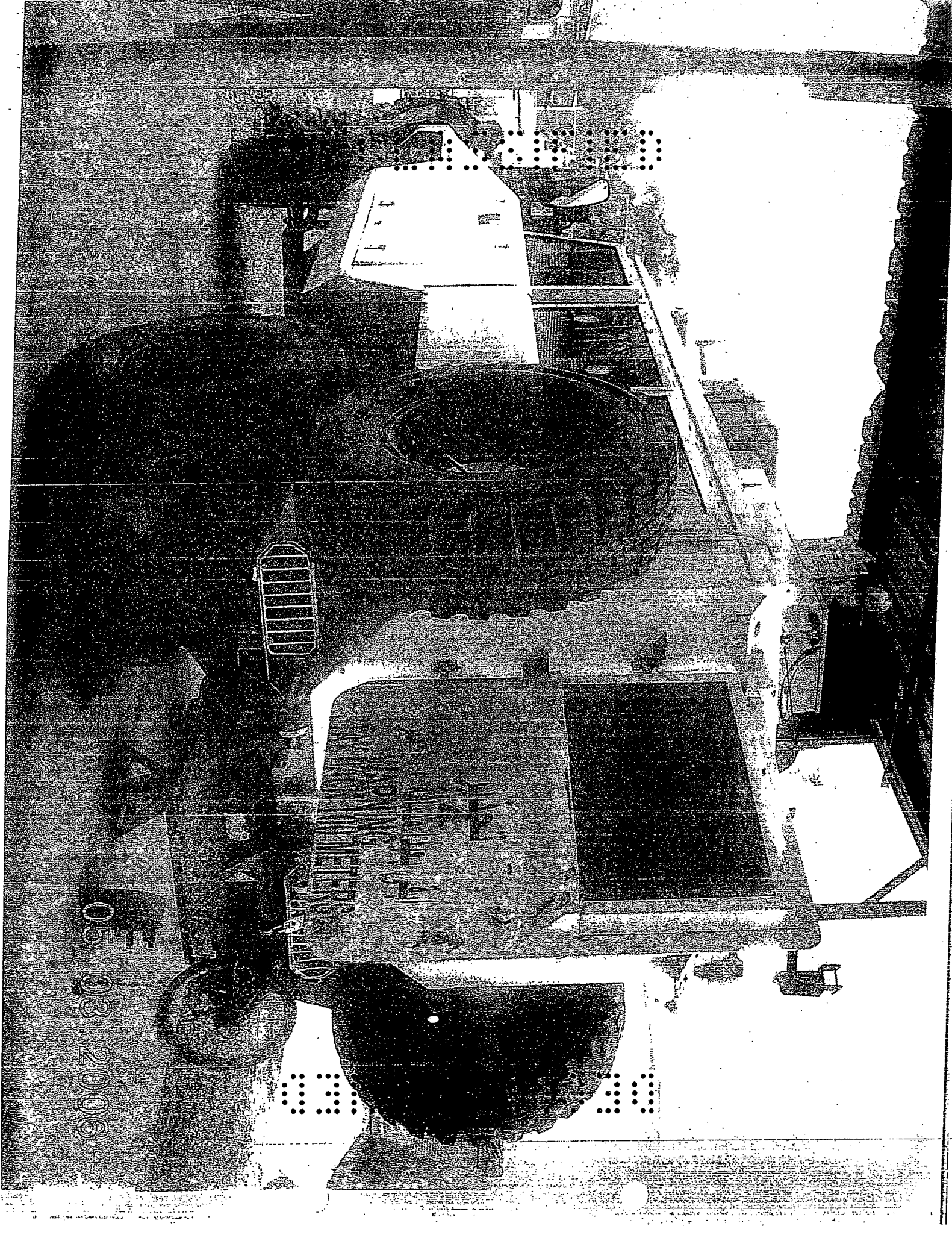
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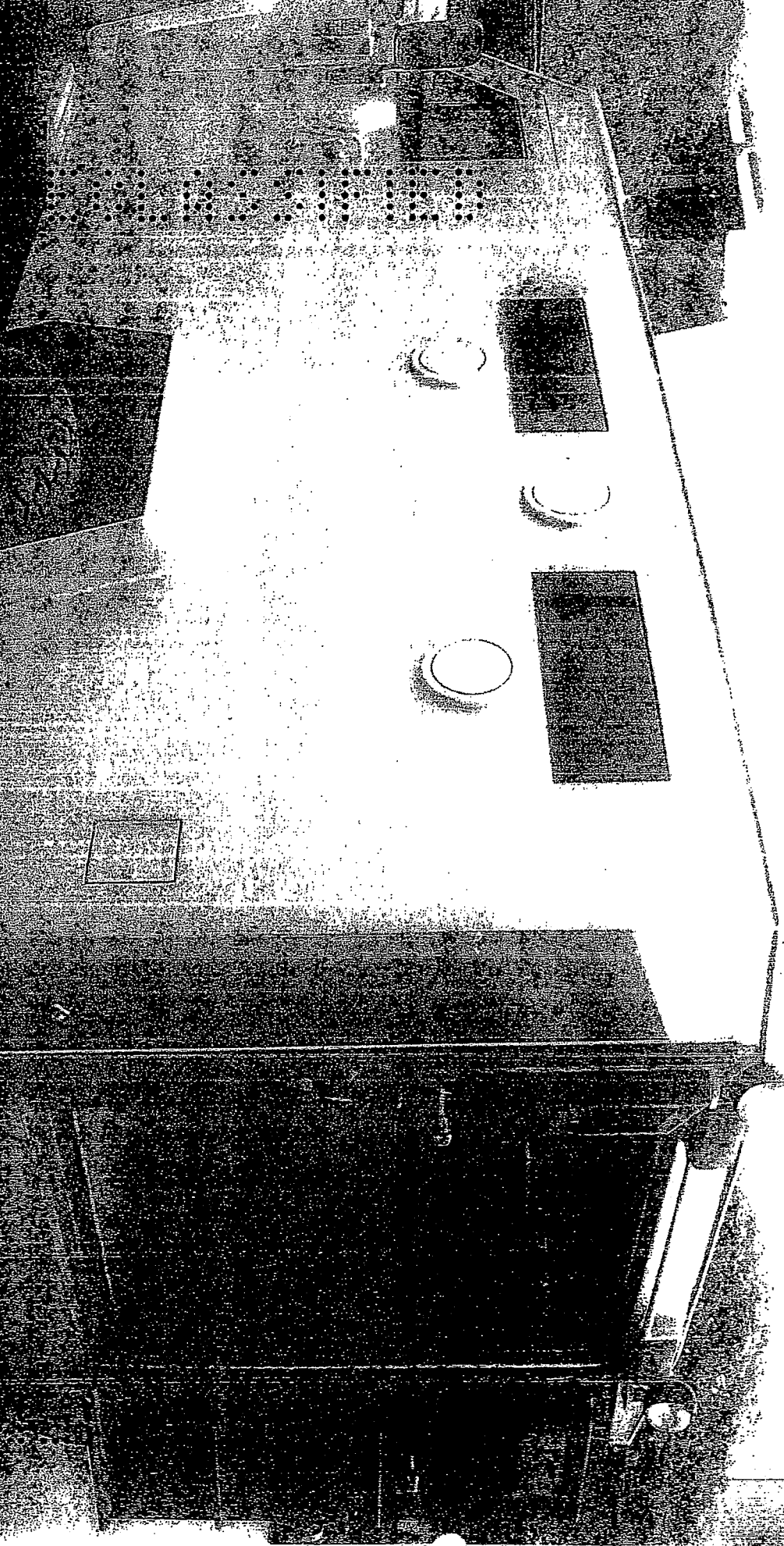
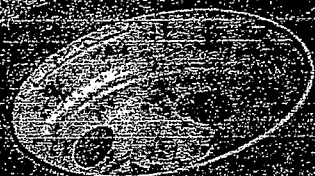


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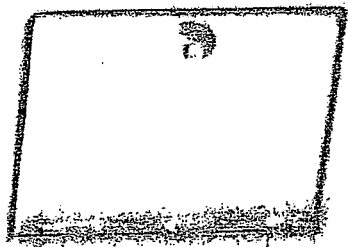
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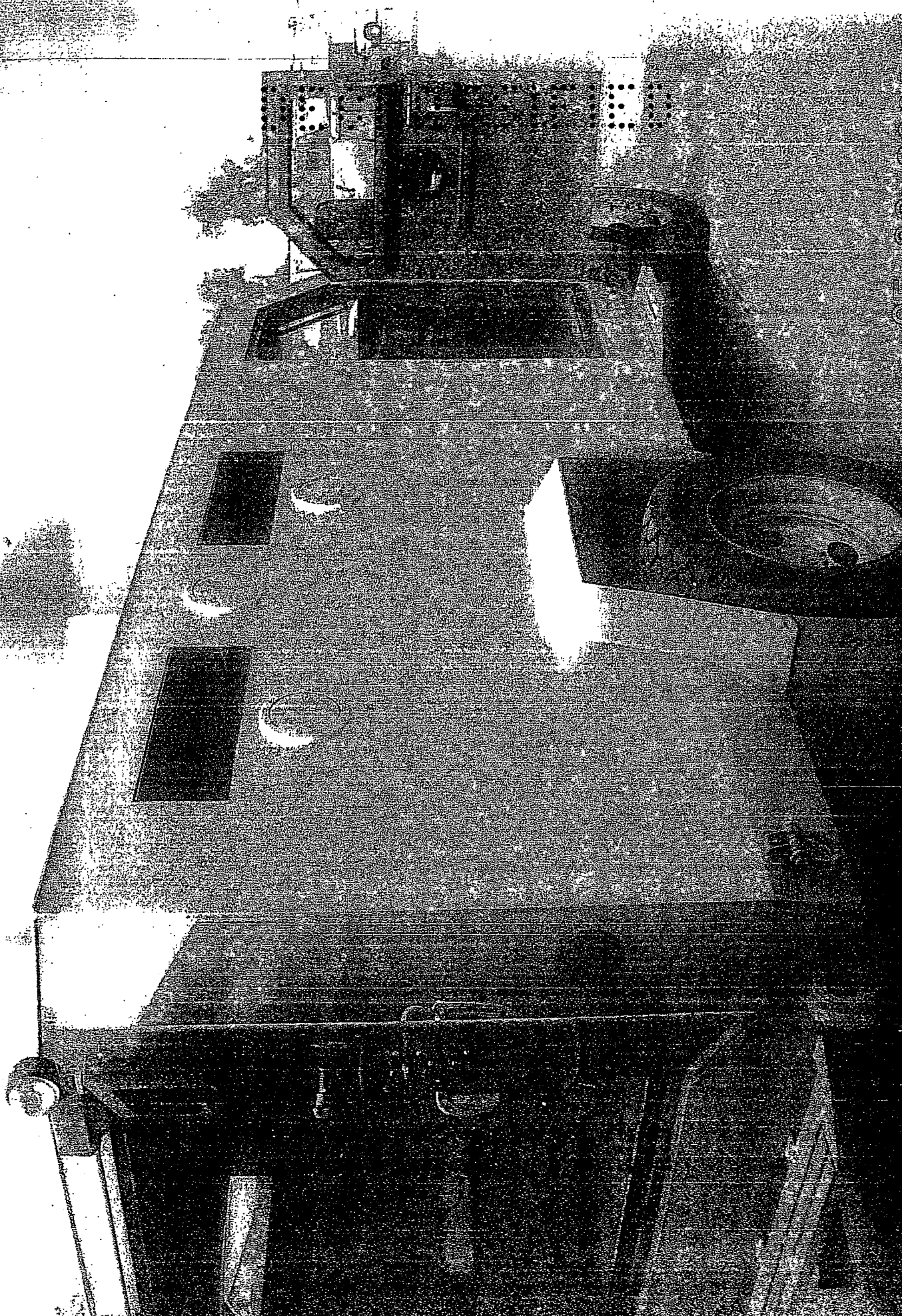
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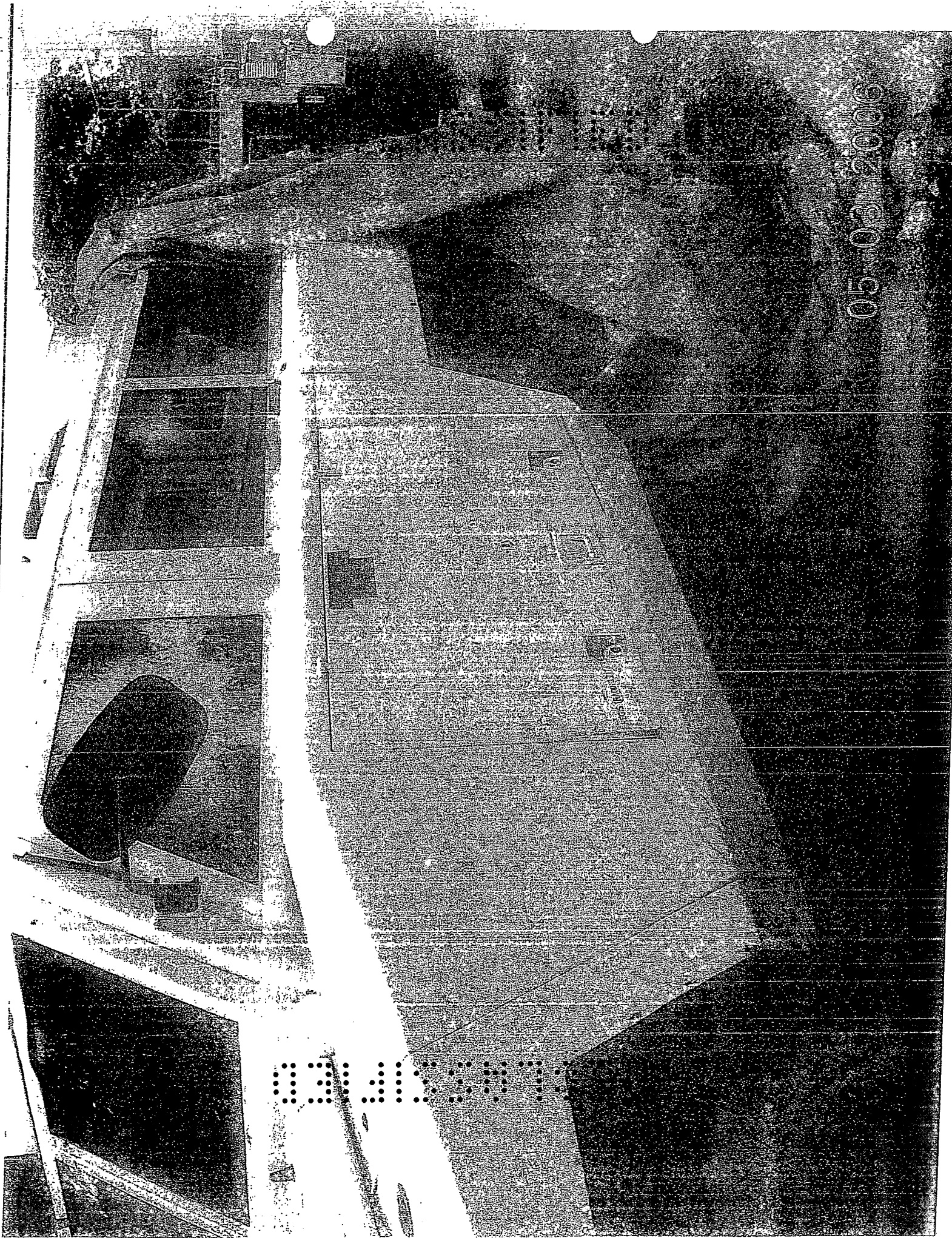
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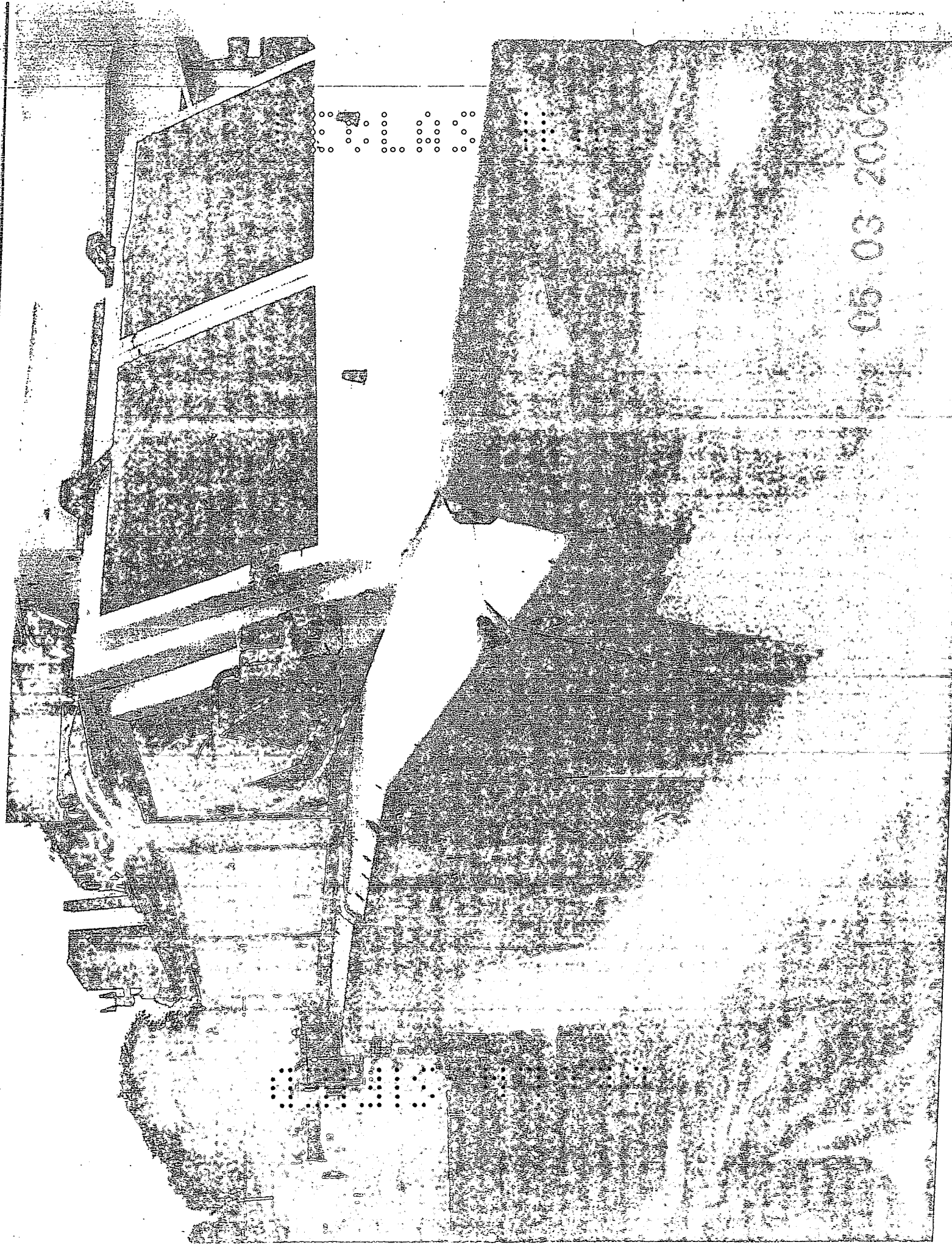
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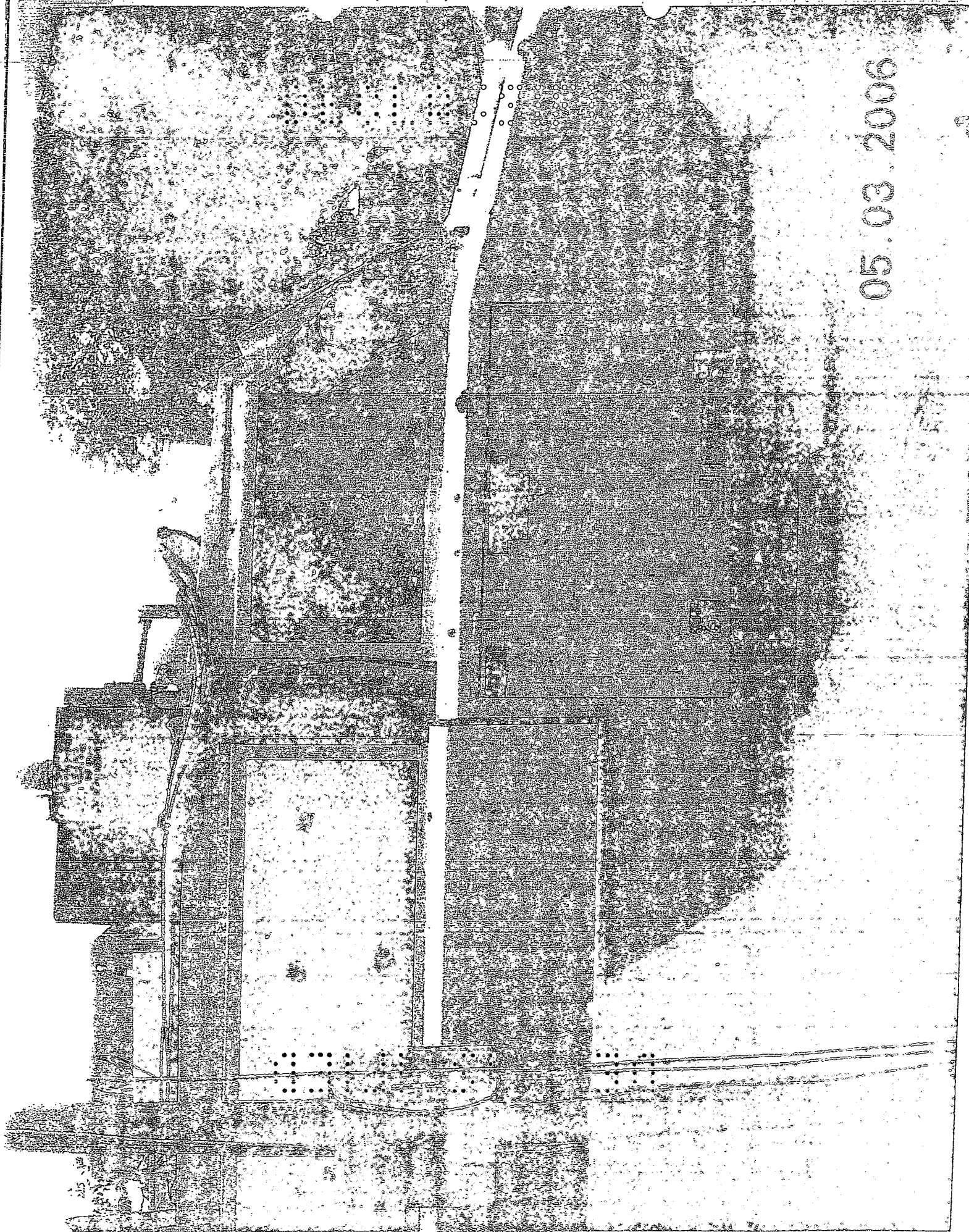
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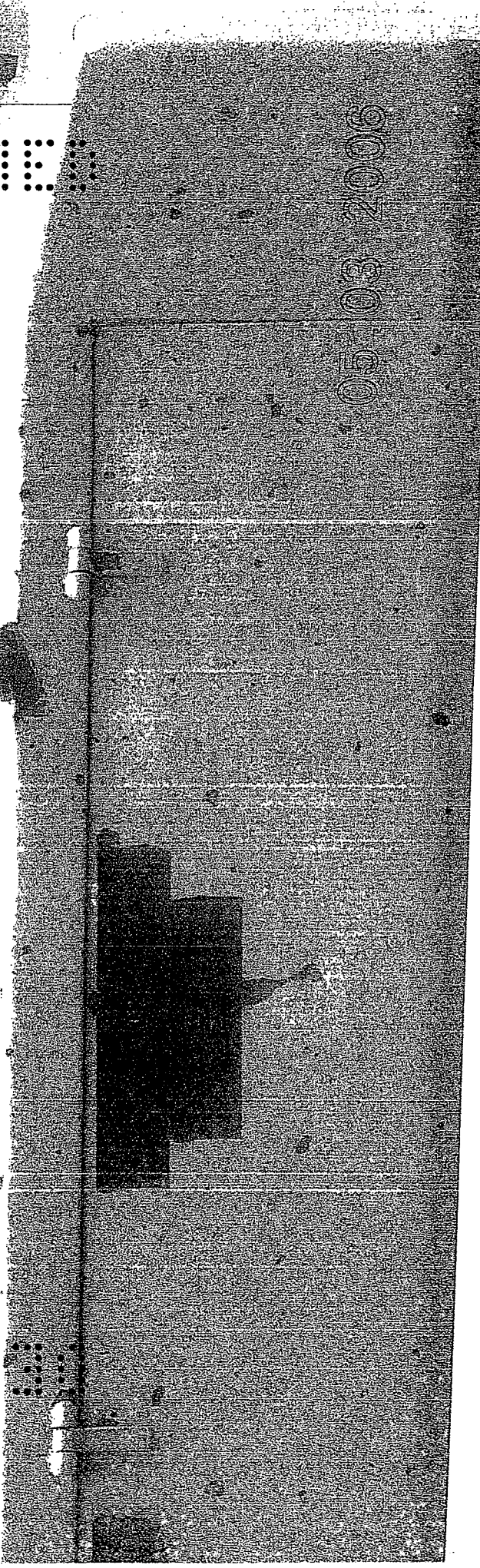
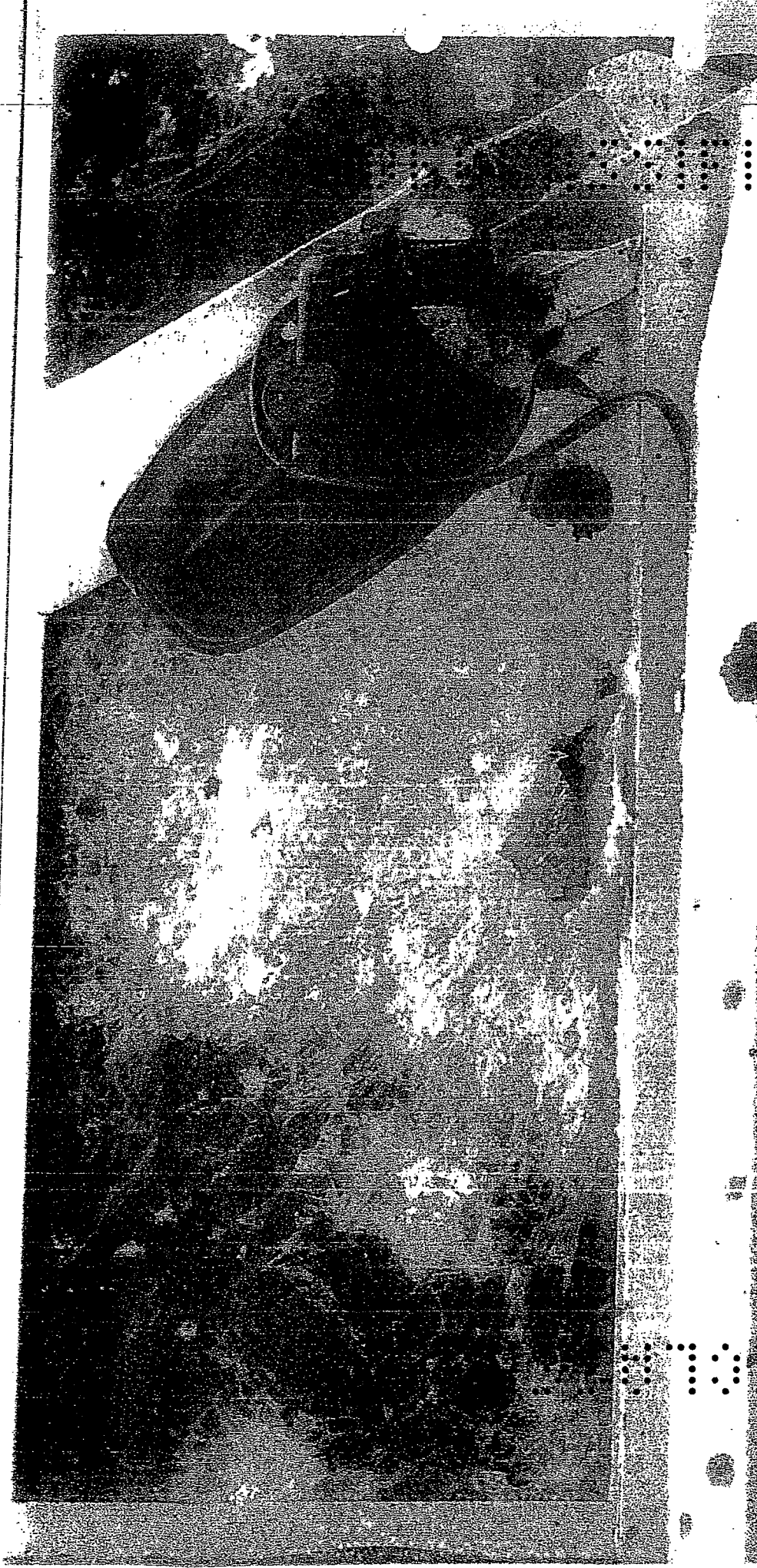


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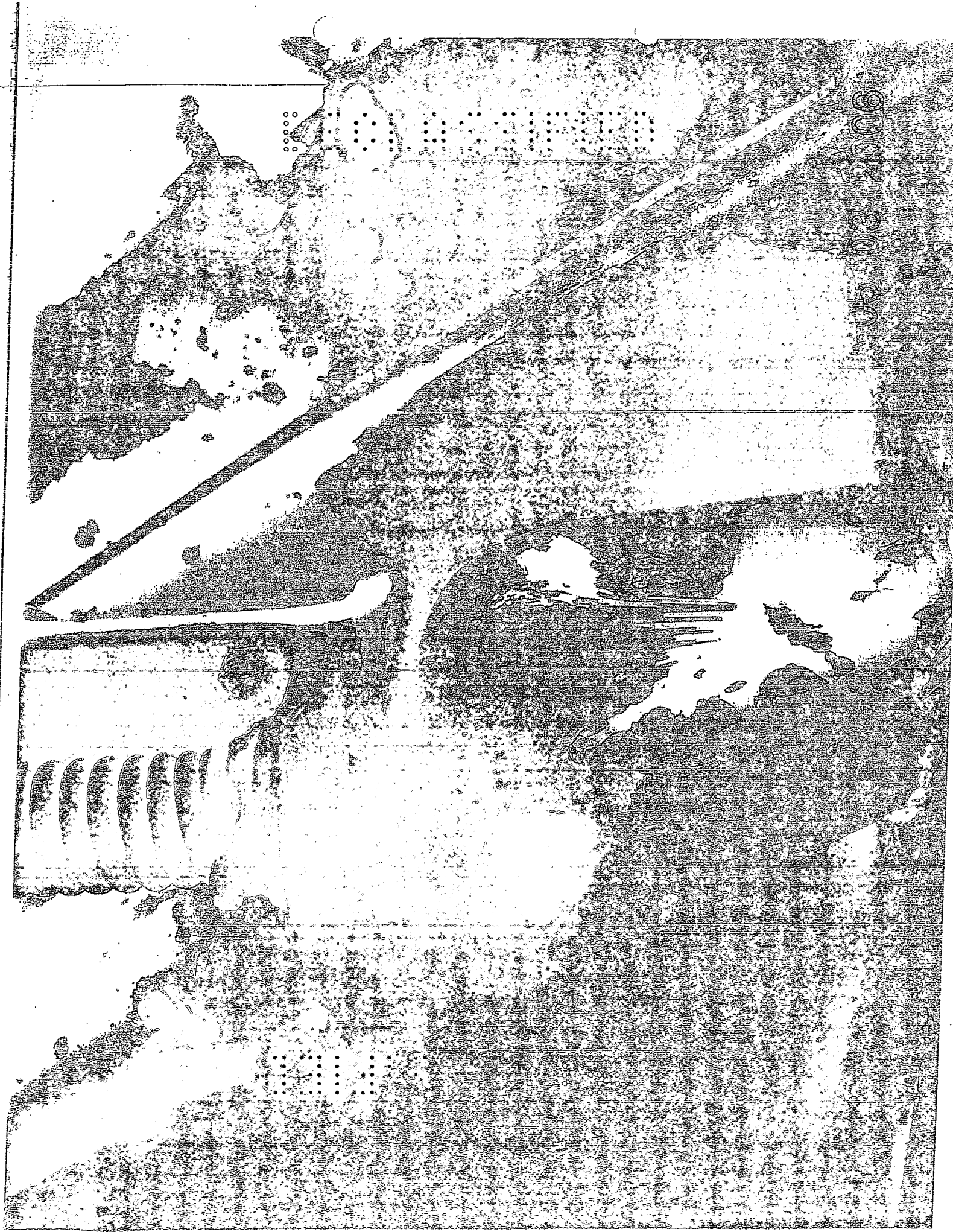
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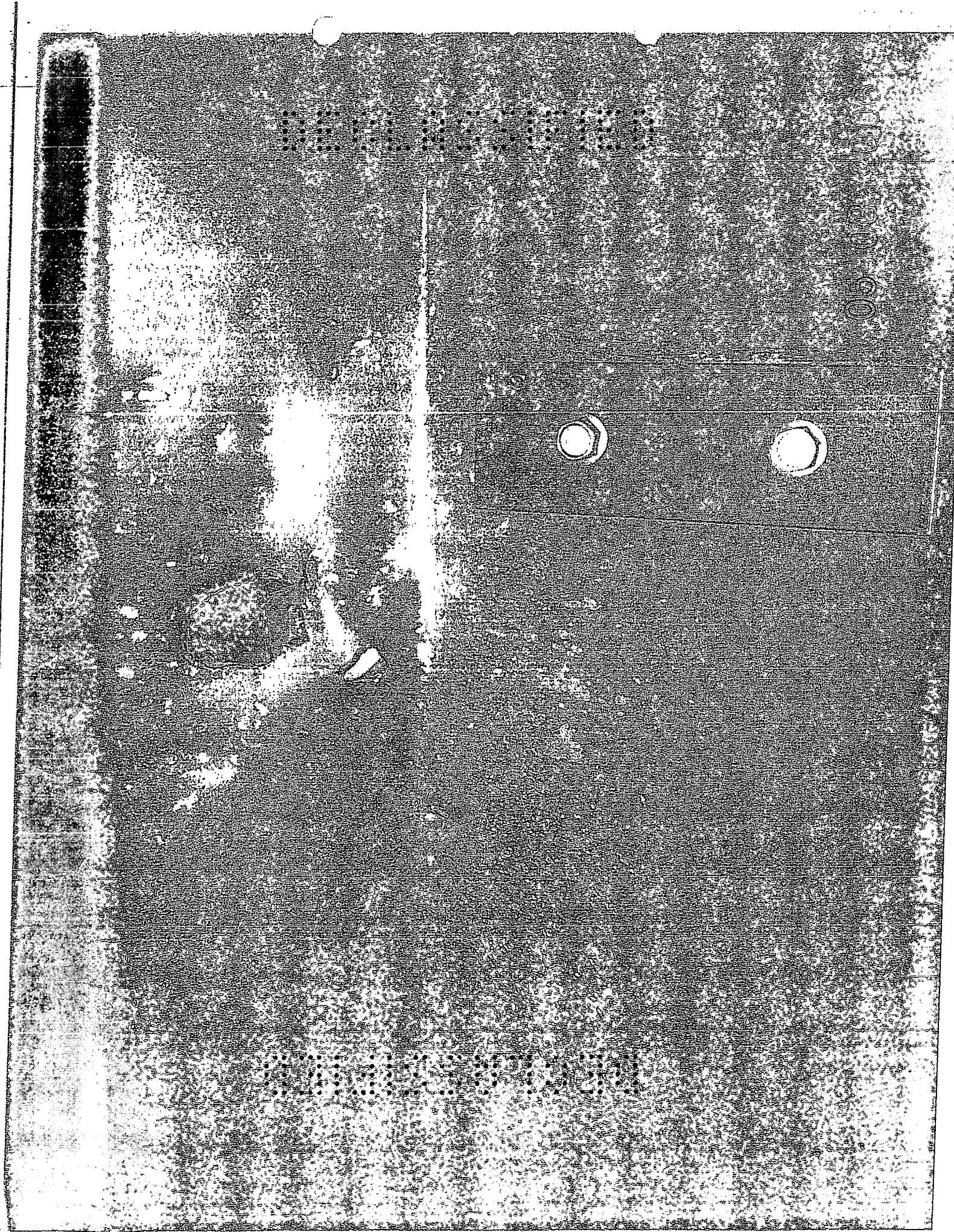




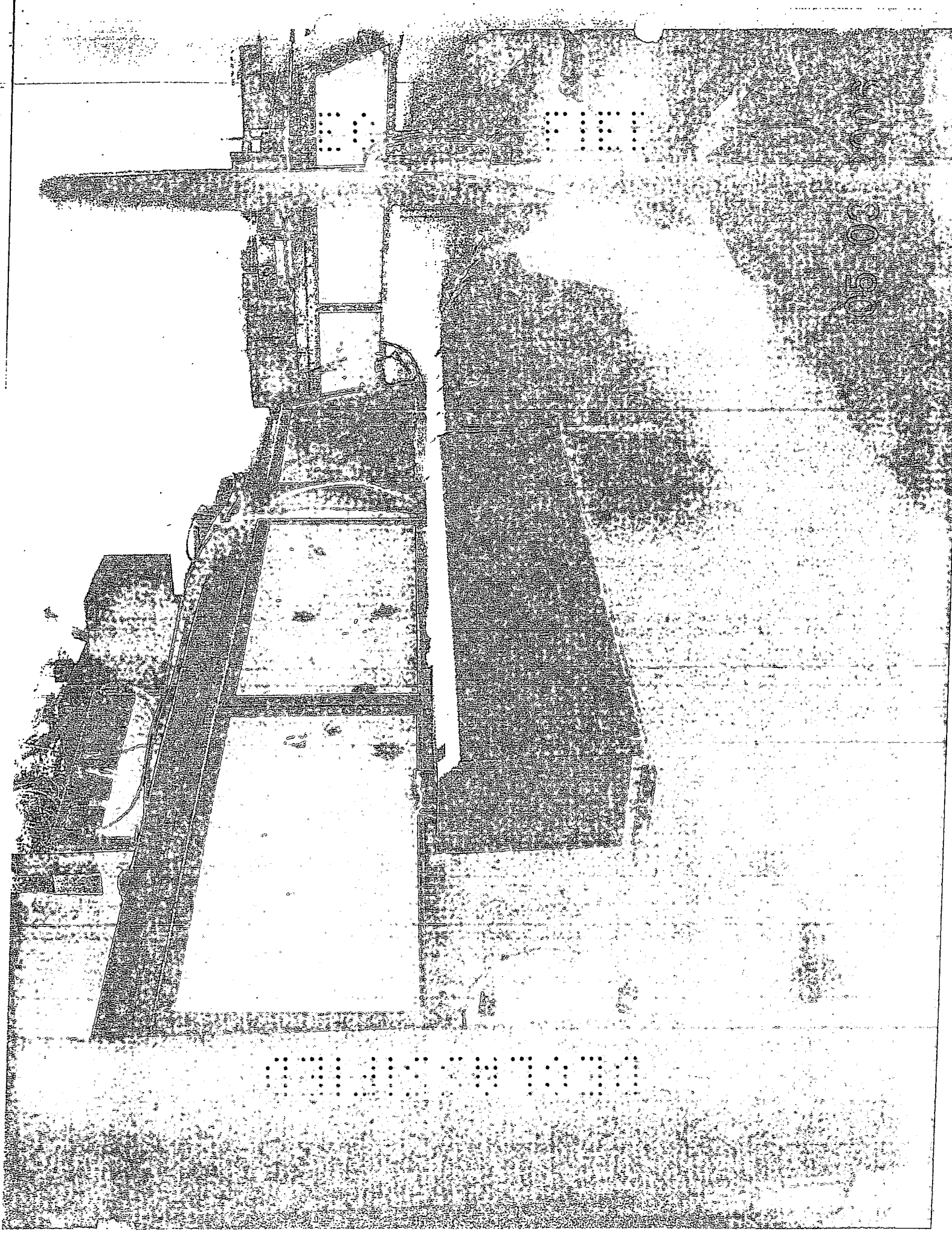


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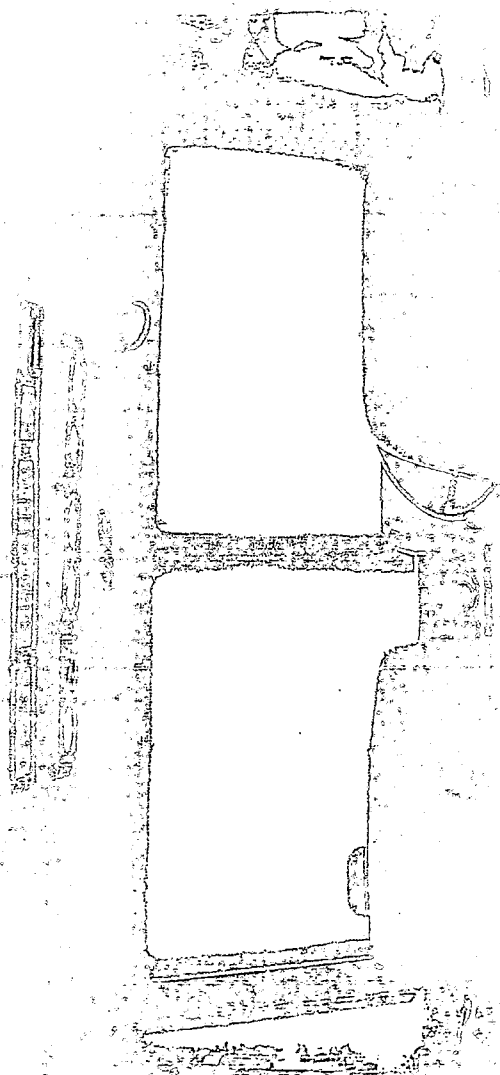














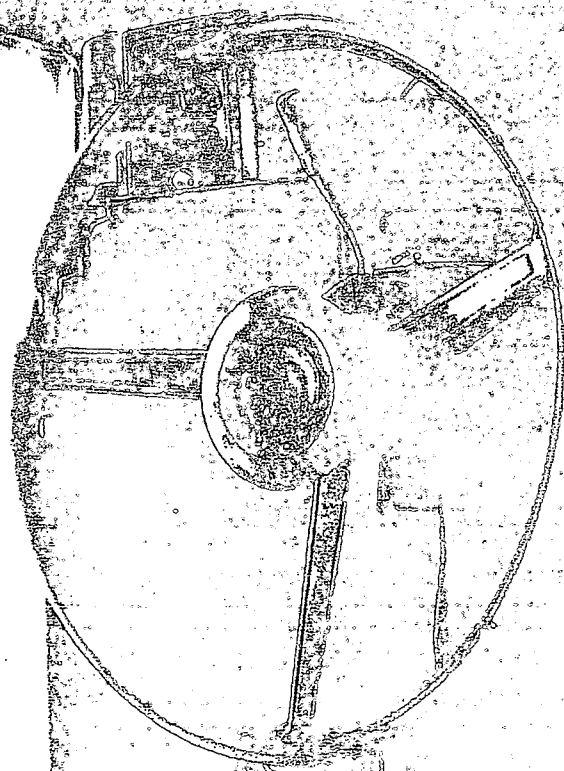




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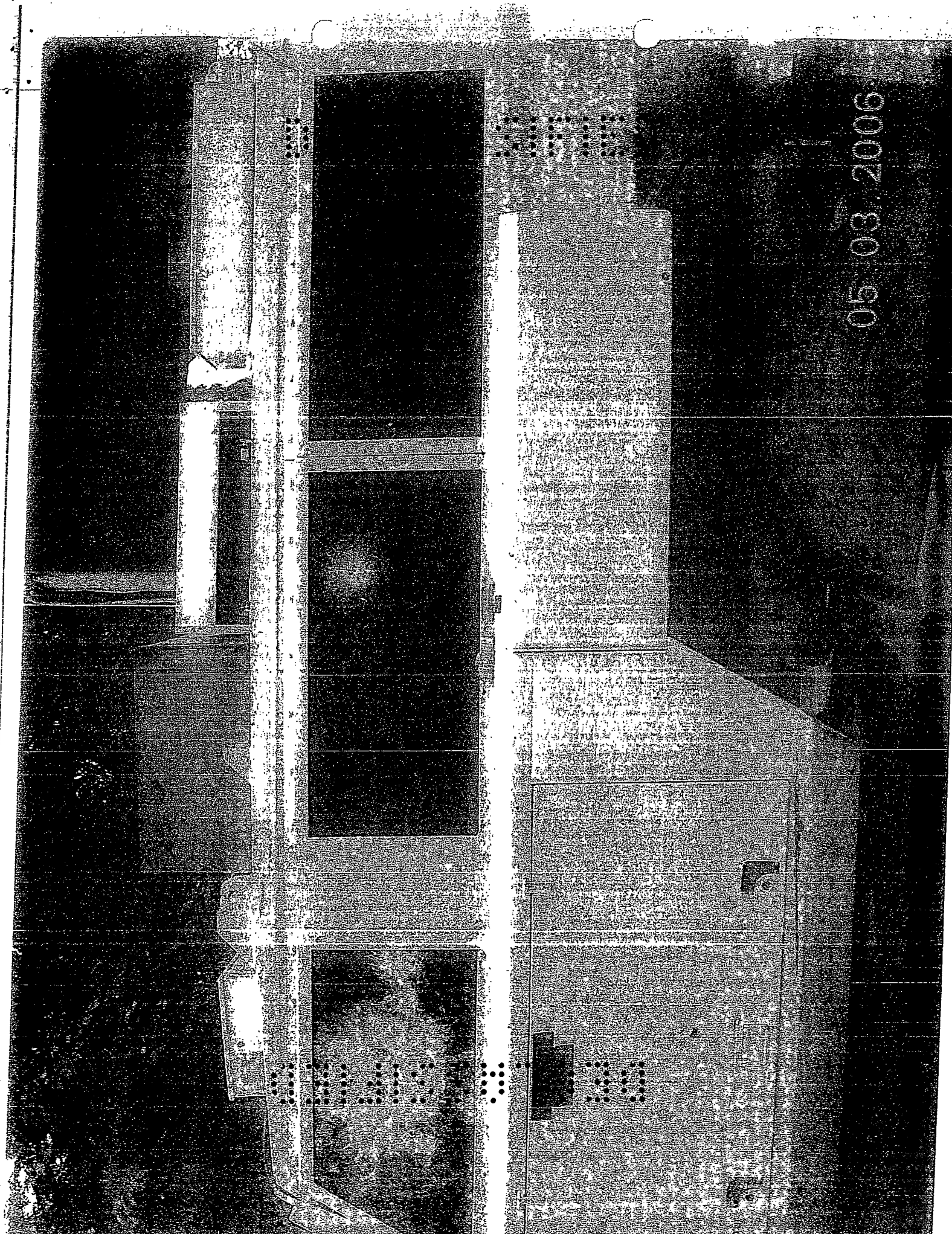
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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

<b>Date of Incident</b>	11MAY2006	<b>Time of Incident</b>	1630
<b>Type of Incident</b> (i.e., Use of Lethal Force/Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distractive Devices Deployed/Ambush)	IED Detonation on [redacted] Motorcade.		
<b>Location of Incident</b> (Describe location in detail. Include route name, local landmarks, grid coordinates if known, etc.)	[redacted]		
<b>Description of Incident</b> (Describe in detail the nature of the incident, all personnel involved, Principle(s) involved, injuries, if any, other US government and/or NGOs involved, other foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non-US government agencies involved, etc.)	<p>On May 11, 2006, Blackwater PSD team [redacted] was returning from Baghdad to FOB Warhorse, Baqubah. The motorcade consisted of a [redacted]. There were [redacted] PSD team members and no principles. Along with the [redacted] car motorcade, [redacted] was provided air support from Blackwater Air.</p> <p>The motorcade had made a turn off MSR [redacted] and was traveling East bound a route [redacted]. Route [redacted] consists of a two lane road, separated by a dirt median. To the North and South of the route are sporadic buildings and villages, most 75 to 100 meters from the route. Route [redacted] is patrolled by both U.S. Army and Iraqi Army and is notorious for IED's.</p> <p>As [redacted] turned onto route [redacted] the Shift Leader ordered the vehicles to maintain [redacted] meters distance between each vehicle. The Tactical Commander was calling out possible threats to the left and the right. The vehicles were making the appropriate adjustments and were maintaining a speed of 50 mph. As the motorcade was traveling North East, we approached a village on the North side of the roadway approximately 100 meters from the road. The Tactical Commander called out, "IED hole right". Shortly after the Tactical Commander made the call a large explosion occurred 20 meters in front of the Toyota Land Cruiser on the South side of the road just as the pavement ends. The Land Cruiser swerved to the North side but maintained speed and control of the vehicle. The Shift Leader gave the command, "Push Through! Push Through, Push Through!" The Shift Leader confirmed with the Land Cruiser that they were unharmed and the vehicle was operational. At this time the Shift Leader also confirmed with Blackwater Air that the team was unharmed. Two to three hundred meters from the explosion the Tactical Commander called over the radio, "static blue van in the median, stay right." As we passed the van, the team observed the blue van in the median as well as a single man jogging north from the vehicle towards a yellow car occupied by two men. Once the CAT vehicle passed through the area of detonation,</p>		

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	the CAT Tactical Commander acknowledged, "CAT's up, six is clear." The motorcade continued on to FOB Warhorse without further incident. Upon arrival at the FOB, an inspection of the Toyota Landcruiser revealed a crack in the rear passenger door window and a large "chip" in the glass approximately 12 inches from the crack.
<b>Action Taken</b> (Describe in detail what actions were taken, i.e. deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons systems, etc.)	Report to Higher
<b>Follow-Up Required</b> (Indicate what if any follow-up action is required, i.e. further investigation, notifications, etc.)	N/A

<b>Operator(s) Involved</b>		<b>Vehicle(s) Involved</b>	Toyota Land Cruiser	<b>Team(s) Involved</b>	
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